

means of the single transferable vote, and may make all necessary regulations for that purpose and to that end may group together single-member constituencies so as to make new plural-member constituencies.

14. (1) If any person is elected by more than one constituency, he shall, by notice in writing signed by him and delivered to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Legislative Department within seven days from the date of the publication of the result of such election in the Gazette, choose for which of these constituencies he shall serve, and the choice shall be conclusive.

Multiple elections.

(2) When any such choice has been made, the Governor-General shall call upon any constituency or constituencies for which such person has not chosen to serve to elect another person or persons.

(3) If the candidate does not make the choice referred to in sub-rule (1) of this rule, the elections of such person shall be void and the Governor-General shall call upon the constituency or constituencies concerned to elect another person or persons.

Election agents and Return of expenses.

15. No person shall be appointed an election agent who is himself ineligible for election as being subject to any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of rule 5.

Disqualification for being an election agent.

16. (1) The appointment of an election agent, whether the election agent appointed be the candidate himself or not, may only be revoked by a writing signed by the candidate and lodged with the officer receiving nominations and shall operate from the date on which it is so lodged.

Revocation of the appointment of election agent.

(2) In the event of such a revocation or of the death of any election agent, whether such event occurs before, during or after the election, then the candidate shall appoint forthwith another election agent and declare his name in writing to the said officer.

17. (1) Within one month or such longer period as the Governor-General may allow after the date of the declaration of the result of the election every candidate, either personally or through his election agent, shall cause to be lodged with the Returning Officer a return of his election expenses containing the particulars specified in Schedule III.

Return of election expenses.

(2) Every such return shall contain a statement of all payments made by the candidate or by his election agent or by any persons on behalf of the candidate or in his interests for expenses incurred on account of or in respect of the conduct and management of the election, and further a statement of all unpaid claims in respect of such expenses of which he or his election agent is aware.

(3) The return shall be accompanied by declarations by the candidate and his election agent which shall be in the form contained in the said Schedule and shall be made on oath or affirmation before a Magistrate.

(4) The Governor-General in Council shall cause to be prepared in such manner, and maintained for such time, as he may direct, a record showing the names of all candidates at every election under these rules and the date on which the return of election expenses of each candidate has been lodged with the Returning Officer.

Fixation of maximum election expenses.

18. (1) The Governor-General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette—

- (a) fix maximum scales of election expenses, which shall be applicable to any election held after the first elections under these rules; and
- (b) prescribe the numbers and description of persons who may be employed for payment in connection with any election held under these rules.

(2) Any notification issued under this rule may make different provisions for different constituencies.

19. Every election agent shall keep regular books of account in which the particulars of all expenditure of the nature referred to in rule 17 shall be entered, whether such expenditure is incurred by the candidate or by the election agent or by any person under the direction of the candidate or the election agent.

Accounts of agents.

PART V.

NOMINATED MEMBERS.

20. (1) Save as expressly provided in these rules in regard to the nomination of a person elected in Berar, no person shall be nominated to the Council of State who—

General disqualifications for nomination.

- (a) is not a British subject; or
- (b) is a female; or
- (c) is already a member of any legislative body constituted under the Act; or
- (d) having been a legal practitioner has been dismissed or is under suspension from practising as such by order of any competent court; or
- (e) has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind; or
- (f) is under 25 years of age; or
- (g) is an undischarged insolvent; or
- (h) being a discharged insolvent has not obtained from the court a certificate that his insolvency was caused by misfortune without any misconduct on his part :

Provided that if the Ruler of a State in India or any subject of such a State is not disqualified for nomination to the Legislative Council of a province, such Ruler or subject shall not by reason of not being a British subject be disqualified for nomination to the Council of State to represent that province :

Provided further that the disqualification mentioned in clause (d) may be removed by an order of the Governor-General in Council in this behalf.

(2) A person against whom a conviction by a criminal court involving a sentence of transportation or imprisonment for a period of more than six months is subsisting shall, unless the offence of which he was convicted has been pardoned, not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of the expiration of the sentence.

(3) If any person is convicted of an offence under Chapter IX-A of the Indian Penal Code punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or is, after an inquiry by Commissioners appointed under any rules for the time being in force regarding elections to a legislative body constituted under the Act, reported as guilty of a corrupt practice as specified in Part I, or in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of Part II, of Schedule IV, such person shall not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of such conviction or of the finding of the Commissioners, as the case may be ; and a person reported by any such Commissioners to be guilty of any other corrupt practice shall be similarly disqualified for three years from such date.

(4) If any person has been a candidate or an election agent at an election to any legislative body constituted under the Act and has failed to lodge any prescribed return of election expenses or has lodged a return which is found either by Commissioners holding an inquiry into the election or by a Magistrate in a judicial proceeding to be false in any material particular, such person shall not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of the election :

Provided that any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of this rule may be removed by an order of the Governor-General in Council in that behalf.

21. (1) A nominated non-official member shall hold office for the duration of the Council of State to which he is nominated.
Term of office of nominated member.

(2) Official members shall hold office for the duration of the Council of State to which they are nominated or for such shorter period as the Governor-General may, at the time of nomination, determine.

PART VI.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Obligation to take oath.

22. Every person who is elected or nominated to be a member of the Council of State shall before taking his seat make at a meeting of the Council of State an oath or affirmation of his allegiance to the Crown in the following form, namely:—

I, A. B. having been ^{elected}_{nominated} a member of this Council do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty the King-Emperor of India, his heirs and successors, and that I will faithfully discharge the duty upon which I am about to enter.

Vacation of seat.

23. If any person having been elected or nominated, subsequently becomes subject to any of the disabilities stated in clauses (a), (d), (e), (g) and (h) of sub-rule (1) or in sub-rules (2), (3) and (4) of rule 5 or of rule 20, as the case may be, or fails to make the oath or affirmation prescribed by rule 22 within such time as the Governor-General considers reasonable, the Governor-General shall, by notification in the Gazette, declare his seat to be vacant.
Effect of subsequent disabilities or failure to take oath.

24. (1) When a vacancy occurs in the case of an elected member by reason of his election being declared void or his seat being declared vacant, or by reason of absence from India, inability to attend to duty, death, acceptance of office or resignation duly accepted, the Governor-General shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituency concerned to elect a person for the purpose of filling the vacancy within such time as may be prescribed by such notification.
Casual vacancies.

(2) If a vacancy occurs in the case of a nominated member, the Governor-General shall nominate to the vacancy a person having the necessary qualification under these rules.

First constitution of the Council of State.

25. (1) As soon as conveniently may be after these rules come into force, a Council of State shall be constituted in accordance with their provisions.
Constitution of Council of State.

(2) For this purpose the Governor-General shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituencies referred to in rule 4 to elect members in accordance with these rules within such time as may be prescribed by such notification, and shall make such nominations as may be necessary to complete the Council of State before the date fixed for its first meeting.

(3) If any difficulty arises as to the preparation or publication of the first electoral roll or the holding of the first elections after the commencement of these rules, the Governor-General in Council may by order do any matter or thing which appears to him necessary for the proper preparation or publication of the roll or for the proper holding of the elections.

General elections.

26. (1) On the expiration of the duration of a Council of State or on its dissolution, a general election shall be held in order that a new Council of State may be constituted.
Reconstitution of Council of State.

(2) On such expiration or dissolution, the Governor-General shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituencies referred to in rule 4 to elect members in accordance with these rules within such time after the date of expiration or dissolution as may be prescribed by such notification:

Provided that, if the Governor-General thinks fit, such notification may be issued at any time not being more than three months prior to the date on which the duration of the Council of State would expire in the ordinary course of events.

(3) Before the date fixed for the first meeting of the Council of State, the Governor-General shall make such nominations as may be necessary to complete the Council of State.

27. As soon as may be after the expiration of the time fixed for the election of members at any general election, the names of the members elected for the various constituencies at such election shall be notified in the Gazette.

PART VII.

THE FINAL DECISION OF DOUBTS AND DISPUTES AS TO THE VALIDITY OF AN ELECTION.

28. In this Part and in Schedule IV, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

- Definition.
- (a) "agent" includes an election agent and any person who is held by Commissioners to have acted as an agent in connection with an election with the knowledge or consent of the candidate;
 - (b) "candidate" means a person who has been nominated as a candidate at any election or who claims that he has been so nominated or that his nomination has been improperly refused, and includes a person who, when an election is in contemplation, holds himself out as a prospective candidate at such election, provided that he is subsequently nominated as a candidate at such election; and
 - (c) "returned candidate" means a candidate whose name has been published under these rules as duly elected.

29. No election shall be called in question except by an election petition presented in accordance with the provisions of this Part.

30. An election petition may be presented to the Governor-General by any candidate or elector against any returned candidate within fourteen days from the date on which the result of the election has been published in accordance with sub-rule (9) of the rule 12.

31. The petition shall contain a statement in concise form of the material facts on which the petitioner relies and the particulars of any corrupt practice which he alleges and shall, where necessary, be divided into paragraphs numbered consecutively. It shall be signed by the petitioner and verified in the manner prescribed for the verification of pleadings in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908.

32. The petitioner may, if he so desires, in addition to calling in question the election of the returned candidate, claim a declaration that he himself or any other candidate has been duly elected; in which case he shall join as respondents to his petition all other candidates who were nominated at the election.

33. At the time of presentation of the petition, the petitioner shall deposit with it the sum of one thousand rupees in cash or in Government Promissory notes of equal value at the market rate of the day as security for the costs of the same.

34. (1) If the provisions of rule 33 are not complied with the Governor-General shall dismiss the petition.
Dismissal for default.

(2) Upon compliance with the provisions of rule 33—
Appointment of Commissioners.

(a) the Governor-General shall appoint as Commissioners for the trial of the petition three persons who are or have been, or are eligible to be appointed Judges of a High Court within the meaning of section 101 (3) of the Act, and shall appoint one of them to be the President, and thereafter all applications and proceedings in connection therewith shall be dealt with and held by such Commissioners;

(b) the President of the Commission so constituted shall, as soon as may be, cause a copy of the petition to be served on each respondent and to be published in the Gazette, and may call on the petitioner to execute a bond in such amount and with such sureties as he may require for the payment of any further costs. At any time within fourteen days after such publication, any other candidate shall be entitled to be joined as a respondent on giving security in a like amount and procuring the execution of a like bond.

(3) When in respect of an election in a constituency more petitions than one are presented, the Governor-General shall refer all such petitions to the same Commissioners, who may at their discretion inquire into the petitions either in one or in more proceedings as they shall think fit.

35. Every election petition shall be inquired into by the Commissioners, as nearly as may be, in accordance with the procedure applicable under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, to the trial of suits: provided that it shall only be necessary for the Commissioners to make a memorandum of the substance of the evidence of any witness examined by them.
Inquiry by Commissioners.

36. The enquiry shall be held at such place as the Governor-General may appoint: provided that the Commissioners may in their discretion sit for any part of the inquiry at any other place in the province in which the constituency in question is situated, and may depute any one of their number to take evidence at any place in that province.
Place of inquiry.

37. (1) No election petition shall be withdrawn without the leave of the Commissioners.
Withdrawal of petition.

(2) If there are more petitioners than one no application to withdraw a petition shall be made except with the consent of all the petitioners.

(3) When an application for withdrawal is made, notice thereof fixing a date for the hearing of the application shall be given to all other parties to the petition and shall be published in the Gazette.

(4) No application for withdrawal shall be granted if the Commissioners are of opinion that such application has been induced by any bargain or consideration which the Commissioners consider ought not to be allowed.

(5) If the application is granted—

(a) the petitioner shall be ordered to pay the costs of the respondent theretofore incurred or such portion thereof as the Commissioners may think fit;

(b) such withdrawal shall be reported to the Governor General, who shall publish notice thereof in the Gazette; and

(c) any person who might himself have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner in place of the party withdrawing, and, upon compliance with the conditions of rule 33 as to security, shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

38. (1) An election petition shall abate only on the death of a sole petitioner or of the survivor of several petitioners.
Abatement or substitution on death of petitioner.

(2) Such abatement shall be reported to the Governor General, who shall publish notice thereof in the Gazette.

(3) Any person who might himself have been a petitioner, may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner, and,

upon compliance with the conditions of rule 33 as to security, shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

39. If before the conclusion of the trial of an election petition the respondent dies or gives notice that he does not intend to oppose the petition, the Commissioners shall cause notice of such event to be published in the Gazette, and thereupon any person who might have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted for such respondent to oppose the petition, and shall be entitled to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

40. Where at an inquiry into an election petition any candidate, other than the returned candidate, claims the seat for himself, the returned candidate or any other party may give evidence to prove that the election of such candidate would have been void if he had been the returned candidate and a petition had been presented complaining of his election.

41. When at an inquiry into an election petition the Commissioners so order, the Advocate General or some person acting under his instructions shall attend and take such part therein as they may direct.

Explanation.—The expression “Advocate General” includes also a Government Advocate, or, where there is no Advocate General or Government Advocate, such other officer as the Local Government may appoint in this behalf.

42. (1) Save as hereinafter provided in this rule, if in the opinion of the Commissioners—

- (a) the election of a returned candidate has been procured or induced, or the result of the election has been materially affected, by a corrupt practice, or
- (b) any corrupt practice specified in Part I of Schedule IV has been committed, or
- (c) the result of the election has been materially affected by any irregularity in respect of a nomination paper, or by the improper reception or refusal of a vote, or by any non-compliance with the provisions of the Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder, or by any mistake in the use of any form annexed thereto,

the election of the returned candidate shall be void.

(2) If the Commissioners report that a returned candidate has been guilty by an agent (other than his election agent) of any corrupt practice specified in Part I of Schedule IV which does not amount to any form of bribery other than treating as hereinafter explained or to the procuring or abetment of personation, and if the Commissioners further report that the candidate has satisfied them that—

- (a) no corrupt practice was committed at such election by the candidate or his election agent, and the corrupt practices mentioned in the report were committed contrary to the orders and without the sanction or connivance of such candidate or his election agent, and
- (b) such candidate and his election agent took all reasonable means for preventing the commission of corrupt practices at such election, and
- (c) the corrupt practices mentioned in the said report were of a trivial, unimportant and limited character, and
- (d) in all other respects the election was free from any corrupt practice on the part of such candidate or any of his agents,

then the Commissioners may find that the election of such candidate is not void.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this sub-rule “treating” means the incurring in whole or in part by any person of the expense of giving or providing any food, drink, entertainment or provision to any person with the object, directly or indirectly, of inducing him or any other person to vote or refrain from voting or as a reward for having voted or refrained from voting.

43. (1) At the conclusion of the enquiry the Commissioners shall report whether the returned candidate, or any other party to the petition who has under the provisions of these rules claimed the seat, has been duly elected, and in so reporting shall have regard to the provisions of rule 42.

Report of Commissioners and procedure thereon.

(2) The report shall be in writing and shall be signed by all the Commissioners. The Commissioners shall forthwith forward their report to the Governor General who, on receipt thereof, shall issue orders in accordance with the report and publish the report in the Gazette, and the orders of the Governor General shall be final.

44. If either in their report or upon any other matter there is a difference of opinion among the Commissioners, the opinion of the majority shall prevail, and their report shall be expressed in the terms of the views of the majority.

Form of report.

45. Where any charge is made in an election petition of any corrupt practice, the Commissioners shall record in their report—

Finding as to corrupt practices and persons guilty thereof.

(a) a finding whether a corrupt practice has or has not been proved to have been committed by any candidate or his agent, or with the connivance of any candidate or his agent, and the nature of such corrupt practice, and

(b) the names of all persons (if any) who have been proved at the inquiry to have been guilty of any corrupt practice and the nature of such corrupt practice with any such recommendations as they may desire to make for the exemption of any such persons from any disqualifications they may have incurred in this connection under these rules.

PART VIII.

SPECIAL PROVISION.

46. If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules otherwise than in connection with an election inquiry held thereunder, the question shall be referred for the decision of the Governor General and his decision shall be final.

Interpretation in case of doubt.

SCHEDULE I.

(See rule 4.)

I.—List of constituencies entitled to representation in every Council of State.

Province.	Name of Constituency.	Class of Constituency	Extent of Constituency.	No. of Members.
Bengal	East Bengal (Non-Muhammadan).	Non-Muhammadan.	The Dacca, Rajshahi, and Chittagong Divisions excluding the Darjeeling district and the Chittagong Hill Tracts.	1
Ditto	West Bengal (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto	The Presidency and Burdwan Divisions.	2
Ditto	East Bengal (Muhammadan).	Muhammadan	The Dacca, Rajshahi and Chittagong Divisions excluding the Darjeeling district and the Chittagong Hill Tracts.	1
Ditto	West Bengal (Muhammadan).	Ditto	The Presidency and Burdwan Divisions.	1
Ditto	Bengal Chamber of Commerce.	European Commerce.	(Non-territorial)	1

SCHEDULE II.

(See rule 8.)

Qualifications of electors.

PART III.—BENGAL.

Definitions.

1. For the purposes of this Part—

- (a) “previous year” means the financial year preceding that in which the electoral roll for the time being under preparation is first published under these rules.
- (b) a person shall be deemed to have a place of residence within the limits of a constituency or of India, as the case may be if he—
 - (1) ordinarily lives within those limits, or
 - (2) has his family dwelling house within those limits and occasionally occupies it, or
 - (3) maintains within those limits a dwelling house ready for occupation in charge of servants and occasionally occupies it.

Joint families.

2. Where property is held or payments are made jointly by the members of a joint family, the family shall be adopted as the unit for deciding whether under this Part the requisite qualification exists; and, if it does exist, the person qualified shall be the manager of the family.

Determination of qualification.

3. In determining any claim to a qualification by a person by virtue of the payment of land revenue or road and public works cesses—

- (a) only such estates and shares of estates and only such permanent tenures and shares of permanent tenures as are not within the district of Darjeeling or the Chittagong Hill Tracts shall be taken into account;
- (b) only such estates and shares of estates as are held by him in his own right and not in a fiduciary capacity and are registered in his own name in the registers maintained under the Land Registration Act, 1876, shall be taken into account;
- (c) only such permanent tenures and shares of permanent tenures as are held by him in his own right and not in a fiduciary capacity shall be taken into account;
- (d) only such land revenue or road and public works cesses as is payable in respect of his own personal share shall be taken into account;
- (e) if the amount of land revenue or road and public works cesses paid in respect of any share of an estate or permanent tenure is not definitely known, the district officer of the district in which such estate or tenure is situated shall estimate the amount paid in respect of such share, and his decision shall be final.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this paragraph a *mutwalli* or manager of a *wakf* estate shall be deemed to hold such estate in his own right, but a trustee or manager of an estate other than a *wakf* estate shall not be so deemed.

General Constituencies.

Non-Muhammadan constituencies.

4. A person shall be qualified as an elector for a non-Muhammadan constituency who is neither a Muhammadan nor a European and who has a place of residence within the constituency, and who—

- (a) (i) in the Burdwan Division or Presidency Division, held during the previous year in his own right as a proprietor one or more estates or shares of estates and paid in respect thereof land

revenue amounting to not less than Rs. 7,500, or road and public works cesses amounting to not less than Rs. 1,875; or

- (ii) in the Dacca, the Rajshahi, or the Chittagong Division held during the previous year in his own right as a proprietor one or more estates or shares of estates, or one or more permanent tenures or shares of such tenures held direct from such proprietor, and paid in respect thereof land revenue amounting to not less than Rs. 5,000 or road and public works cesses amounting to not less than Rs. 1,250; or
- (b) paid during the previous year on his own account and in his own name income-tax on an income of not less than Rs. 12,000; or
- (c) is or has been a non-official member of either chamber of the Indian Legislature or has been a non-official member of the Indian Legislative Council as constituted under the Government of India Act, 1915, or any Act repealed thereby, or is or has been at any time a non-official member of the Bengal Legislative Council; or
- (d) is or has been the non-official chairman or is the non-official vice-chairman or deputy chairman of the Corporation of Calcutta, or is or has been the non-official chairman or is the non-official vice-chairman of a municipality constituted under the Bengal Municipal Act, 1884, or of a district board established under the Bengal Local Self-Government Act, 1885; or
- (e) is or has been a member of the Senate or a Fellow or an Honorary Fellow of any University constituted by law in British India; or
- (f) is the non-official chairman, deputy chairman or vice-chairman of any co-operative central bank or union or provincial co-operative federation, which is a registered society within the meaning of section 2 of the Co-operative Societies Act, 1912; or
- (g) is recognised by the Government as the holder of the title of Mahamahopadhyaya.

5 A person shall be qualified as an elector for a Muhammadan constituency who is a Muhammadan and has a place of residence within the constituency and who—

Muhammadan constituencies.

- (a) held during the previous year in his own right as a proprietor or a permanent tenure-holder one or more estates or shares of estates, or one or more permanent tenures or shares of such tenures held direct from such proprietor, and paid in respect thereof land revenue amounting to not less than Rs. 600 or road and public works cesses amounting to not less than Rs. 125; or
- (b) paid during the previous year on his own account and in his own name income-tax on an income of not less than Rs. 6,000; or
- (c) has any of the qualifications specified in clauses (c) (d), (e) and (f) of paragraph 4 of this Part; or
- (d) is recognised by the Government as the holder of the title of Shams-ul-Ulama.

Special constituency.

6. A person shall be qualified as an elector for the Bengal Chamber of Commerce constituency who has a place of residence in India and is a Chamber member of that Chamber or a person entitled to exercise the rights and privileges of Chamber-membership on behalf of and in the name of any firm, company or other corporation.

The Chamber of Commerce constituency.

SCHEDULE III.

(See rule 17.)

Return of election expenses

1. Under the head of receipts there shall be shown the name and description of every person (including the candidate), club, society or association from whom any money, security or equivalent of money was received in respect of expenses incurred on account of, or in connection with, or incidental to, the election, and the amount received from each person, club, society or association separately.

2. Under the head of expenditure, there shall be shown—

- (a) the personal expenditure of the candidate incurred or paid by him or his election agent, including travelling and all other personal expenses incurred in connection with his candidature;
- (b) the name and the rate and total amount of the pay of each person employed as an agent (including the election agent), clerk or messenger;
- (c) the travelling expenses and any other expenses incurred by the candidate or his election agent on account of agents (including the election agent), clerks or messengers;
- (d) the travelling expenses of persons, whether in receipt of salary or not, incurred in connection with the candidature, and whether paid or incurred by the candidate, his election agent or the person so travelling;
- (e) the cost whether paid or incurred of—
 - (i) printing,
 - (ii) advertising,
 - (iii) stationery,
 - (iv) postage,
 - (v) telegrams, and
 - (vi) rooms hired either for public meetings or as committee-rooms;
- (f) any other miscellaneous expenses whether paid or incurred.

NOTE.—(1) All expenses incurred in connection with the candidature, whether paid by the candidate, his election agent, or any other person, or remaining unpaid on the date of the return are to be set out.

- (2) For all items of Rs. 5 and over, unless from the nature of the case (*e.g.*, travel by rail or postage) a receipt is not obtainable, vouchers are to be attached.
- (3) All sums paid but for which no receipt is attached are to be set out in detail with dates of payment.
- (4) All sums unpaid are to be set out in a separate list.

3. The form of affidavit referred to in rule 17 shall be as follows :—

Affidavit.

I _____ being the appointed election agent for _____ a candidate
for election in the _____ constituency (or I _____ being a
candidate for election in the _____ constituency), do hereby solemnly
affirm that the above return of election expenses is true to the best of my
knowledge and belief, and that, except the expenses herein set forth, no
expenses of any nature whatsoever have to my knowledge and belief been
incurred in, and for the purposes of, _____
_____ ^{'s candidature}
_____ ^{my candidature}

(Sd.)

Election Agent or Candidate.

Solemnly affirmed before me.

Magistrate.

SCHEDULE IV.

(See rules 5, 7, 20, 31, 42 and 45.)

The following shall be deemed to be corrupt practices for the purposes of these rules:—

PART I.

1. A gift, offer or promise by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, of any gratifications to any person whomsoever, with the object, directly or indirectly, of inducing—

Bribery.

(a) a person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw from being, a candidate, or

(b) an elector to vote or refrain from voting at an election,

or as a reward to—

(a) a person for having so stood or not stood or for having withdrawn his candidature, or

(b) an elector for having voted or refrained from voting.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this clause, the term "gratification" is not restricted to pecuniary gratifications, or gratifications estimable in money, and includes all forms of entertainment and all forms of employment for reward; but it does not include the payment of any expenses *bond fide* incurred at or for the purposes of any election, and duly entered in the return of election expenses prescribed by these rules.

2. (1) Any direct or indirect interference or attempt to interfere on the part of a candidate or his agent, or of any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, by any of the means hereafter specified, with the right of any person to stand or not to stand to withdraw from standing as a candidate, or with the free exercise of the franchise of an elector.

Undue influence.

(2) The means above alluded to are—

(a) any violence, injury, restraint, or fraud and any threat thereof;

(b) any threat to a person or inducement to a person to believe that he or any person in whom he is interested will become or be rendered an object of divine displeasure or spiritual censure;

but do not include any declaration of public policy or promise of public action.

3. The procuring or abetting or attempting to procure by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, the application by a person for a voting paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead, or in a fictitious name, or by a person who has voted once at an election for a voting paper in his own name at the same election.

Personation.

4. The publication by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of the candidate or his agent, of any statement of fact which is false and which he either believes to be false or does not believe to be true in relation

Publication of false statements.

to the personal character or conduct of any candidate or in relation to the candidature or withdrawal of any candidate, which statement is reasonably calculated to prejudice such candidate's election.

5. The incurring or authorising by a candidate or his agent of expenditure or the employment of any person by a candidate or his agent in contravention of the provisions of any notification of the Governor-General in Council issued under rule 18 of these rules.

PART II.

1. Any act specified in Part I, when done by a person who is not a candidate or his agent or a person acting with the connivance of a candidate or his agent.

Acts under Part I.

2. The application by a person at an election for a voting paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead, or in a fictitious name, or for a voting paper in his own name after he has already voted at such election.

Personation.

3. The receipt of, or agreement to, receive any gratification, whether as a motive or a reward—

Bribery.

(a) by a person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw from being, a candidate; or

(b) by any person whomsoever for himself or any other person for voting or refraining from voting, or for inducing or attempting to induce any elector to vote or refrain from voting, or any candidate to withdraw his candidature.

4. Any payment or promise of payment to any person whomsoever on account of the conveyance of any elector to or from any place for the purpose of recording his vote.

Payment for conveyance.

5. The hiring, employment, borrowing or using for the purposes of the election of any boat, vehicle or animal usually kept for letting on hire or for the conveyance of passengers by hire:

Hiring and use of public conveyances.

Provided that any elector may hire any boat, vehicle or animal, or use any boat, vehicle or animal which is his own property to convey himself to or from the place where the vote is recorded.

6. The incurring or authorisation of expenses by any person other than a candidate or his election agent on account of holding any public meeting or upon any advertisement, circular or publication or in any other way whatsoever for the purpose of promoting or procuring the election of such candidate, unless he is authorised in writing so to do by the candidate.

Incurring expense without authority.

7. The hiring, using or letting as a committee-room or for the purpose of any meeting to which electors are admitted, of any building, room or other place where intoxicating liquor is sold to the public.

Hiring of liquor shops.

8. The issuing of any circular, placard or poster having reference to the election which does not bear on its face the name and address of the printer and publisher thereof.

Issue of circulars, etc., without printer's and publisher's name printed thereon.

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Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Rules for the election and nomination of members to the Legislative Assembly, for the qualification of electors and members, the constitution of constituencies and the final decision of doubts and disputes as to the validity of elections.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 767F.

Simla, the 27th July 1920.

Whereas by section 47 of the Government of India Act, 1919, it is provided that the said Act shall come into operation on such date or dates as the Governor General in Council with the approval of the Secretary of State in Council may appoint;

And whereas the said Act confers powers for the making of rules thereunder for the nomination and election of members of the Legislative Assembly; and for matters incidental and consequential thereto;

And whereas it is necessary for the purpose of bringing into operation the provisions of the said Act in respect of such Assembly on such date as may hereafter be appointed, to make such rules prior to the date on which these provisions will be brought into operation;

And whereas a draft of such rules was laid before both Houses of Parliament and was duly approved by them with certain modifications and additions;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 37 of the Interpretation Act, 1889, read with the rule making powers under the said Act, the Governor General in Council, with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council is pleased to make the said rules in the form so approved, the same being as follows:—

1. (1) These rules may be called the Legislative Assembly Electoral
Short title and commencement. Rules.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or
Definitions. context,—

(a) "the Act" means the Government of India Act;

(b) "Commissioners" means Commissioners appointed for the purpose of holding an election inquiry under these rules;

(c) "corrupt practice" means any act deemed to be a corrupt practice under the provisions of Schedule IV;

(d) "election agent" means the person appointed under these rules by a candidate as his agent for an election;

(e) "Gazette" means the Gazette of India; and

(f) "Schedule" means a Schedule to these rules.

PART I.

COMPOSITION OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND CONSTITUENCIES.

Composition of Legislative Assembly. 3. The Legislative Assembly shall consist of—

(1) one hundred and three elected members, and

(2) forty-one members nominated by the Governor General, of whom twenty-six shall be officials and one shall be a person nominated as the result of an election held in Berar.

Elected Members.

4. The elected members shall be elected by the constituencies specified in Schedule I subject to the provisions of that Schedule in regard to constituencies entitled to elect in rotation, and the number of members to be elected by each constituency shall be as stated therein against that constituency.

PART II.

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTED MEMBERS.

General disqualifications for being elected.

5. (1) A person shall not be eligible for election as a member of the Legislative Assembly if such person—

- (a) is not a British subject ; or
- (b) is a female ; or
- (c) is already a member of any legislative body constituted under the Act ; or
- (d) having been a legal practitioner has been dismissed or is under suspension from practising as such by order of any competent court ; or
- (e) has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind ; or
- (f) is under 25 years of age ; or
- (g) is an undischarged insolvent ; or
- (h) being a discharged insolvent has not obtained from the court a certificate that his insolvency was caused by misfortune without any misconduct on his part ;

Provided that, if the Ruler of a State in India or any subject of such a State is not ineligible for election to the Legislative Council of a province, such Ruler or subject shall not by reason of not being a British subject be ineligible for election to the Legislative Assembly by any constituency in that province ; and no subject of such a State shall for that reason be ineligible for election by the Delhi constituency ;

Provided further that the disqualification mentioned in clause (d) may be removed by an order of the Governor General in Council in this behalf.

(2) A person against whom a conviction by a criminal court involving a sentence of transportation or imprisonment for a period of more than six months is subsisting shall, unless the offence of which he was convicted has been pardoned, not be eligible for election for five years from the date of the expiration of the sentence.

(3) If any person is convicted of an offence under Chapter IX-A of the Indian Penal Code punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or is, after an inquiry by Commissioners appointed under any rules for the time being in force regarding elections to a legislative body constituted under the Act, reported as guilty of a corrupt practice as specified in Part I, or in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of Part II, of Schedule IV, such person shall not be eligible for election for five years from the date of such conviction or of the finding of the Commissioners, as the case may be ; and a person reported by any such Commissioners to be guilty of any other corrupt practice shall be similarly disqualified for three years from such date.

(4) If any person has been a candidate or an election agent at an election to any legislative body constituted under the Act and has failed to lodge any prescribed return of election expenses, or has lodged a return which is found either by Commissioners holding an inquiry into the election or by a Magistrate in a judicial proceeding to be false in any material particular, such person shall not be eligible for election for five years from the date of such election :

Provided that any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of this rule may be removed by an order of the Governor General in Council in that behalf.

6. (1) No person shall be eligible for election as a member of the Legislative Assembly to represent a general constituency other than a constituency in the province of Burma and Delhi unless—

Special qualifications for election in case of certain constituencies.

(a) his name is entered on the electoral roll of the constituency or of a constituency situate in the same province and prescribed for elections to the provincial Council by rules under section 72-A of the Act; and

(b) in the case of a non-Muhammadan, Muhammadan, Sikh or European constituency in the province of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, the Punjab or Bihar and Orissa or in the Central Provinces, he is himself a non-Muhammadan, Muhammadan, Sikh or European as the case may be.

(2) No person shall be eligible for election as a member of the Legislative Assembly to represent a special constituency or a constituency in the province of Burma or Delhi unless his name is entered on the electoral roll of the constituency.

(3) For the purposes of these rules—

(a) "general constituency" means a non-Muhammadan, Muhammadan, European, non-European or Sikh constituency or the Delhi constituency; and

(b) "special constituency" means a Landholders' or Indian Commerce constituency.

PART III.

THE ELECTORAL ROLL.

7. (1) Every person shall be entitled to have his name registered on the electoral roll of a constituency who has the qualifications prescribed for an elector of that constituency and who is not subject to any of the disqualifications hereinafter set out, namely:—

General conditions of registration and disqualifications.

(a) is not a British subject; or

(b) is a female; or

(c) has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind; or

(d) is under 21 years of age:

Provided that, if the Ruler of a State in India or any subject of such a State is not disqualified for registration on the electoral roll of a constituency of the Legislative Council of a province, such ruler or subject shall not by reason of not being a British subject be disqualified for registration on the electoral roll of any constituency of the Legislative Assembly in that province; and no subject of such a State shall for that reason be disqualified for registration on the electoral roll of the Delhi constituency:

Provided further that, if a resolution is passed by the Legislative Assembly after not less than one month's notice has been given of an intention to move such a resolution, recommending that the sex disqualification for registration should be removed either in respect of women generally or any class of women, the Governor-General in Council shall make regulations providing that women or a class of women, as the case may be, shall not be disqualified for registration by reason only of their sex, if they are not so disqualified for registration as electors for the Legislative Council of their province:

Provided further that no person shall be entitled to have his name registered on the electoral roll of more than one general constituency.

(2) If any person is convicted of an offence under Chapter IX-A of the Indian Penal Code punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or is after an inquiry by Commissioners appointed under any rules for the time being in force regarding elections to a legislative body constituted under the Act, reported as guilty of a corrupt practice as specified in

Part I, or in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of Part II, of Schedule IV, his name, if on the electoral roll, shall be removed therefrom and shall not be registered thereon for a period of five years from the date of the conviction or the report, as the case may be, or if not on the electoral roll, shall not be so registered for a like period; and if any person is reported by any such Commissioners as guilty of any other corrupt practice, his name, if on the electoral roll, shall be removed therefrom and shall not be registered thereon for a period of three years from the date of the report or, if not on the electoral roll, shall not be so registered for a like period:

Provided that the Governor-General in Council may direct that the name of any person to whom this sub-rule applies shall be registered on the electoral roll.

8. (1) The qualifications of an elector for a general constituency shall be such qualifications based on—

Qualifications of electors.

- (i) community,
- (ii) residence, and
- (iii) (a) ownership or occupation of a building, or
- (b) assessment to or payment of municipal or cantonment rates or taxes or local cesses; or
- (c) assessment to or payment of income-tax; or
- (d) the holding of land; or
- (e) membership of a local body,

as are specified in Schedule II in the case of that constituency.

(2) The qualifications of an elector for a special constituency shall be the qualifications specified in Schedule II in the case of that constituency.

9. (1) An electoral roll shall be prepared for every constituency, on which shall be entered the names of all persons appearing to be entitled to be registered as electors for that constituency. It shall be published in the constituency together with a notice specifying the mode in which and the time within which any person whose name is not entered in the roll and who claims to have it inserted therein, or any person whose name is on the roll and who objects to the inclusion of his own name or of the name of any other person on the roll, may prefer a claim or objection to the Revising Authority.

Electoral roll.

(2) The regulations for the time being in force in any province for the purpose of elections to the Legislative Council of that province in regard to the following matters, namely,—

- (1) the authority by whom the electoral roll shall be prepared and the particulars to be contained in the roll,
- (2) the time at which the roll shall be prepared,
- (3) the publication of the roll in the constituency to which it relates,
- (4) the mode in which and the time within which claims and objections may be preferred,
- (5) the constitution and appointment of Revising Authorities to dispose of claims and objections,
- (6) the manner in which notices of claims or objections shall be published,
- (7) the place, date and time at which and the manner in which claims or objections shall be heard,

shall apply for the purpose of the holding of elections within that province to the Legislative Assembly; and the regulations in regard to these matters for the time being in force in the Punjab shall as far as they are applicable be the regulations in force in the province of Delhi:

Provided that the Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette, direct that such modifications and adaptations as he may specify shall be made in the application of those regulations.

(3) The orders made by the Revising Authority shall be final, and the electoral roll shall be amended in accordance therewith and shall, as so amended, be republished in the case of each province in such manner as may be prescribed by the regulations aforesaid for the republication of electoral rolls of constituencies of the Legislative Council.

(4) The electoral roll shall come into force from the date of such republication, and shall continue in force for a period of three years or for such less period as the Governor General in Council may by regulation prescribe, and after the expiration of such period a fresh roll shall be prepared in accordance with these rules.

(5) If a constituency is called upon to elect a member or members after an electoral roll has ceased to have force and before the completion of the new electoral roll, the old electoral roll shall for the purposes of that election continue to operate as the electoral roll for the constituency.

10. Every person registered on the electoral roll for the time being in force for any constituency shall while so registered be entitled to vote at an election of a member or members for that constituency: provided that no person shall vote in more than one general constituency.

Right to vote

PART IV.

ELECTIONS.

11. (1) Any person may be nominated as a candidate for election in any constituency for which he is eligible for election under these rules.

Nomination of candidates.

(2) On or before the date on which a candidate is nominated the candidate shall make in writing and sign a declaration appointing either himself or some other person, who is not disqualified under these rules for the appointment, to be his election agent, and no candidate shall be deemed to be duly nominated unless such declaration has been made.

(3) A candidate who has withdrawn his candidature shall not be allowed to cancel the withdrawal or to be renominated as a candidate for the same election.

12. (1) If the number of candidates who are duly nominated and who have not withdrawn their candidature before such time as the Governor General in Council may fix in this behalf exceeds that of the vacancies, a poll shall be taken.

Procedure at election.

(2) If the number of such candidates is equal to the number of vacancies, all such candidates shall be declared to be duly elected.

(3) If the number of such candidates is less than the number of vacancies, all such candidates shall be declared to be elected, and the Governor General shall, by a notification in the Gazette, call for fresh nominations for the remaining vacancy or vacancies, and if any such are received shall call upon the constituency to elect a member or members, as the case may be.

(4) Votes shall be given by ballot and in general and Landholders' constituencies in person. No votes shall be received by proxy.

(5) In plural-member constituencies every elector shall have as many votes as there are members to be elected, but no elector shall give more than one vote to any one candidate except in the case of the plural-member constituencies in the presidency of Bombay, in which constituencies any elector may accumulate his votes upon one candidate or distribute them amongst the candidates as he pleases:

Provided that in the Bengal (European) constituency the election shall be made according to the principle of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote, and votes shall be given in accordance with regulations made in that behalf by the Governor General in Council.

(6) Votes shall be counted by, or under the supervision of, the Returning Officer, and any candidate, or, in the absence of the candidate, a representative duly authorised by him in writing, shall have a right to be present at the time of counting.

(7) When the counting of the votes has been completed, the Returning Officer shall forthwith declare the candidate or candidates, as the case may be, to whom the largest number of votes has been given to be elected:

Provided that in the Bengal (European) constituency the Returning Officer shall determine the candidates to whom the largest number of votes has been given in accordance with the regulations made in that behalf.

(8) Where an equality of votes is found to exist between any candidates and the addition of one vote will entitle any of the candidates to be declared elected, the determination of the person or persons to whom such one additional vote shall be deemed to have been given shall be made by lot to be drawn in the presence of the Returning Officer and in such manner as he may determine.

(9) The Returning Officer shall without delay report the result of the election to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Legislative Department, and the name or names of the candidate or candidates elected shall be published in the Gazette.

13. The regulations for the time being in force in any province for the purpose of elections to the Legislative Council of that province in regard to the following matters, namely,—

Regulations regarding the conduct of elections.

- (1) for the form and manner in, and the conditions on, which nominations may be made, and for the scrutiny of nominations,
- (2) for the appointment of a Returning Officer for each constituency and for his powers and duties,
- (3) for the division of general and Landholders' constituencies into polling areas and for the appointment of polling stations for these areas,
- (4) for the appointment of officers to preside at polling stations, and for the duties of such officers,
- (5) for the checking of voters by reference to the electoral roll,
- (6) for the manner in which votes are to be given, both generally and in the case of illiterate voter or voters under physical or other disability,
- (7) for the procedure to be followed in respect of tender of votes by persons representing themselves to be electors after other persons have voted as such electors,
- (8) for the scrutiny of votes,
- (9) for the safe custody of ballot papers and other election papers, for the period for which such papers shall be preserved, and for the inspection and production of such papers, and
- (10) for the conduct of elections generally,

shall apply for the purpose of the holding of elections within that province to the Legislative Assembly, and the regulations in regard to these matters for the time being in force in the Punjab shall as far as they are applicable be the regulations in force in the Province of Delhi:

Provided that the Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette, direct that such modifications and adaptations as he may specify shall be made in the application of those regulations.

In particular the Governor General in Council may, notwithstanding anything in these rules, if a resolution in favour of the introduction of proportional representation is passed by the Assembly after not less than one month's notice has been given of an intention to move such a resolution, for any plural-member constituencies introduce the method of election by means of the single transferable vote, and may make all necessary regulations for that purpose and to that end may group together single-member constituencies so as to make new plural-member constituencies.

14. (1) If any person is elected by more than one constituency, he shall, by notice in writing signed by him and delivered to the Secretary to the Government of India in the Legislative Department within seven days from the date of the publication of the result of such election in the Gazette, choose for which of these constituencies he shall serve, and the choice shall be conclusive.

(2) When any such choice has been made, the Governor General shall call upon any constituency or constituencies for which such person has not chosen to serve to elect another person or persons.

(3) If the candidate does not make the choice referred to in sub-rule (1) of this rule, the elections of such person shall be void and the Governor-General shall call upon the constituency or constituencies concerned to elect another person or persons.

Election agents and Return of expenses.

15. No person shall be appointed an election agent who is himself ineligible for election as being subject to any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of rule 5.

16. (1) The appointment of an election agent, whether the election agent appointed be the candidate himself or not, may only be revoked by a writing signed by the candidate and lodged with the officer receiving nominations and shall operate from the date on which it is so lodged.

(2) In the event of such a revocation or of the death of any election agent, whether such event occurs before, during or after the election, then the candidate shall appoint forthwith another election agent and declare his name in writing to the said officer.

17. (1) Within one month or such longer period as the Governor-General may allow after the date of the declaration of the result of the election every candidate, either personally or through his election agent, shall cause to be lodged with the Returning Officer a return of his election expenses containing the particulars specified in Schedule III.

(2) Every such return shall contain a statement of all payments made by the candidate or by his election agent or by any persons on behalf of the candidate or in his interests for expenses incurred on account of or in respect of the conduct and management of the election, and further a statement of all unpaid claims in respect of such expenses of which he or his election agent is aware.

(3) The return shall be accompanied by declarations by the candidate and his election agent which shall be in the form contained in the said Schedule and shall be made on oath or affirmation before a Magistrate.

(4) The Governor General in Council shall cause to be prepared in such manner, and maintained for such time, as he may direct, a record showing the names of all candidates at every election under these rules and the date on which the return of election expenses of each candidate has been lodged with the Returning Officer.

18. (1) The Governor General in Council may, by notification in the Gazette,

(a) fix maximum scales of election expenses, which shall be applicable to any election held after the first elections under these rules; and

(b) prescribe the numbers and description of persons who may be employed for payment in connection with any election held under these rules.

(2) Any notification issued under this rule may make different provisions for different constituencies.

19. Every election agent shall keep regular books of account in which the particulars of all expenditure of the nature referred to in rule 17 shall be entered, whether such expenditure is incurred by the candidate or by the election agent or by any person under the direction of the candidate or the election agent.

PART V.

NOMINATED MEMBERS.

20. (1) Save as expressly provided in these rules in regard to the nomination of a person elected in Berar, no person shall be nominated to the Legislative Assembly who—

(a) is not a British subject; or

(b) is a female; or

(c) is already a member of any legislative body constituted under the Act; or

(d) having been a legal practitioner has been dismissed or is under suspension from practising as such by order of any competent court; or

(e) has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind; or

(f) is under 25 years of age ; or

(g) is an undischarged insolvent ; or

(h) being a discharged insolvent has not obtained from the court a certificate that his insolvency was caused by misfortune without any misconduct on his part :

Provided that, if the Ruler of a State in India or any subject of such a State is not disqualified for nomination to the Legislative Council of a province, such Ruler or subject shall not by reason of not being a British subject be disqualified for nomination to the Legislative Assembly to represent that province, and no subject of such a State shall for that reason be disqualified for nomination to represent the province of Delhi ;

Provided further that the disqualification mentioned in clause (d) may be removed by an order of the Governor General in Council in this behalf.

(2) A person against whom a conviction by a criminal court involving a sentence of transportation or imprisonment for a period of more than six months is subsisting shall, unless the offence of which he was convicted has been pardoned, not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of the expiration of the sentence.

(3) If any person is convicted of an offence under Chapter IX-A of the Indian Penal Code punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or is, after an inquiry by Commissioners appointed under any rules for the time being in force regarding elections to a legislative body constituted under the Act, reported as guilty of a corrupt practice as specified in Part I, or in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of Part II, of Schedule IV, such person shall not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of such conviction or of the finding of the Commissioners, as the case may be ; and a person reported by any such Commissioners to be guilty of any other corrupt practice shall be similarly disqualified for three years from such date.

(4) If any person has been a candidate or an election agent at an election to any legislative body constituted under the Act and has failed to lodge any prescribed return of election expenses or has lodged a return which is found either by Commissioners holding an inquiry into the election or by a Magistrate in a judicial proceeding, to be false in any material particular, such person shall not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of the election :

Provided that any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of this rule may be removed by an order of the Governor General in Council in that behalf.

21. (1) A nominated non-official member shall hold office for the duration of the Legislative Assembly to which he is nominated.

Term of office of nominated member.

(2) Official members shall hold office for the duration of the Legislative Assembly to which they are nominated or for such shorter period as the Governor General may, at the time of nomination, determine.

PART VI.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Obligation to take oath.

22. Every person who is elected or nominated to be a member of the Legislative Assembly shall before taking his seat make, at a meeting of the Legislative Assembly, an oath or affirmation of his allegiance to the Crown in the following form, namely,—

Taking of oath.

I, A. B., having been ^{elected}_{nominated} a member of this Assembly, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty the King, Emperor of India, his heirs and successors, and that I will faithfully discharge the duty upon which I am about to enter.

Vacation of seat.

23. If any person having been elected or nominated subsequently becomes subject to any of the disabilities stated in clauses (a), (d), (e), (g) and (h) of sub-rule (1) or in sub-rules (2), (3) and (4) of rule 5 or of rule 20, as the case may be, or fails to make the oath or affirmation prescribed by rule 22 within such time as the Governor General considers reasonable, the Governor General shall, by notification in the Gazette, declare his seat to be vacant.

24. (1) When a vacancy occurs in the case of an elected member by reason of his election being declared void or his seat being declared vacant, or by reason of absence from India, inability to attend to duty, death, acceptance of office or resignation duly accepted, the Governor General shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituency concerned to elect a person for the purpose of filling the vacancy within such time as may be prescribed by such notification.

(2) If a vacancy occurs in the case of a nominated member, the Governor General shall nominate to the vacancy a person having the necessary qualification under these rules.

First constitution of the Legislative Assembly.

25. (1) As soon as conveniently may be after these rules come into force, a Legislative Assembly shall be constituted in accordance with their provisions.

(2) For this purpose the Governor General shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituencies referred to in rule 4 to elect members in accordance with these rules within such time as may be prescribed by such notification, and shall make such nominations as may be necessary to complete the Legislative Assembly before the date fixed for its first meeting.

(3) If any difficulty arises as to the preparation or publication of the first electoral roll or the holding of the first elections after the commencement of these rules, the Governor General in Council may by order do any matter or thing which appears to him necessary for the proper preparation or publication of the roll or for the proper holding of the elections.

General Elections.

26. (1) On the expiration of the duration of a Legislative Assembly or on its dissolution, a general election shall be held in order that a new Legislative Assembly may be constituted.

(2) On such expiration or dissolution, the Governor General shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituencies referred to in rule 4 to elect members in accordance with these rules within such time after the date of expiration or dissolution as may be prescribed by such notification :

Provided that, if the Governor General thinks fit, such notification may be issued at any time not being more than three months prior to the date on which the duration of the Legislative Assembly would expire in the ordinary course of events.

(3) Before the date fixed for the first meeting of the Legislative Assembly, the Governor General shall make such nominations as may be necessary to complete the Legislative Assembly.

27. As soon as may be after the expiration of the time fixed for the election of members at any general election, the names of the members elected for the various constituencies at such election shall be notified in the Gazette.

PART VII.

THE FINAL DECISION OF DOUBTS AND DISPUTES AS TO THE VALIDITY OF AN ELECTION.

28. In this Part and in Schedule IV, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

Definitions.

- (a) "agent" includes an election agent and any person who is held by Commissioners to have acted as an agent in connection with an election with the knowledge or consent of the candidate;
- (b) "candidate" means a person who has been nominated as a candidate at any election or who claims that he has been so nominated or that his nomination has been improperly refused, and includes a person who, when an election is in contemplation, holds himself out as a prospective candidate at such election, provided that he is subsequently nominated as a candidate at such election; and
- (c) "returned candidate" means a candidate whose name has been published under these rules as duly elected.

29. No election shall be called in question except by an election petition presented in accordance with the provisions of this Part.

The election petition.

30. An election petition may be presented to the Governor General by any candidate or elector against any returned candidate within fourteen days from the date on which the result of the election has been published in accordance with sub-rule (9) of rule 12.

Presentation of the petition.

31. The petition shall contain a statement in concise form of the material facts on which the petitioner relies and the particulars of any corrupt practice which he alleges and shall, where necessary, be divided into paragraphs numbered consecutively. It shall be signed by the petitioner and verified in the manner prescribed for the verification of pleadings in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908.

Contents of the petition.

32. The petitioner may, if he so desires, in addition to calling in question the election of the returned candidate, claim a declaration that he himself or any other candidate has been duly elected; in which case he shall join as respondents to his petition all other candidates who were nominated at the election.

Against whom it may be presented.

33. At the time of presentation of the petition, the petitioner shall deposit with it the sum of one thousand rupees in cash or in Government Promissory Notes of equal value at the market rate of the day as security for the costs of the same.

Deposit of security.

34. (1) If the provisions of rule 33 are not complied with, the Governor General shall dismiss the petition.

Dismissal for default.

(2) Upon compliance with the provisions of rule 33—

Appointment of Commissioners.

(a) the Governor General shall appoint as Commissioners for the trial of the petition three persons who are or have been, or are eligible to be appointed, Judges of a High Court within the meaning of section 101 (3) of the Act, and shall appoint one of them to be the President, and thereafter all applications and proceedings in connection therewith shall be dealt with and held by such Commissioners;

(b) the President of the Commission so constituted shall, as soon as may be, cause a copy of the petition to be served on each respondent and to be published in the Gazette, and may call on the petitioner to execute a bond in such amount and with such sureties as he may require for the payment of any further costs. At any time within fourteen days after such publication, any other candidate shall be entitled to be joined as a respondent on giving security in a like amount and procuring the execution of a like bond.

(3) When in respect of an election in a constituency more petitions than one are presented, the Governor General shall refer all such petitions to the same Commissioners, who may at their discretion inquire into the petitions either in one or in more proceedings as they shall think fit.

35. Every election petition shall be inquired into by the Commissioners, as nearly as may be, in accordance with the procedure applicable under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, to the trial of suits: provided that it shall only be necessary for the Commissioners to make a memorandum of the substance of the evidence of any witness examined by them.

Inquiry by Commissioners.

Place of inquiry.

36. The inquiry shall be held at such place as the Governor General may appoint:

Provided that the Commissioners may in their discretion sit for any part of the inquiry at any other place in the province in which the constituency in question is situated, and may depute any one of their number to take evidence at any place in that province.

Withdrawal of petition.

37. (1) No election petition shall be withdrawn without the leave of the Commissioners.

(2) If there are more petitioners than one, no application to withdraw a petition shall be made except with the consent of all the petitioners.

(3) When an application for withdrawal is made, notice thereof fixing a date for the hearing of the application shall be given to all other parties to the petition and shall be published in the Gazette.

(4) No application for withdrawal shall be granted if the Commissioners are of opinion that such application has been induced by any bargain or consideration which the Commissioners consider ought not to be allowed.

(5) If the application is granted—

(a) the petitioner shall be ordered to pay the costs of the respondent theretofore incurred or such portion thereof as the Commissioners may think fit;

(b) such withdrawal shall be reported to the Governor General, who shall publish notice thereof in the Gazette, and

(c) any person who might himself have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner in place of the party withdrawing, and, upon compliance with the conditions of rule 33 as to security, shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

38. (1) An election petition shall abate only on the death of a sole petitioner or of the survivor of several petitioners.

Abatement or substitution on death of petitioner.

(2) Such abatement shall be reported to the Governor General, who shall publish notice thereof in the Gazette.

(3) Any person who might himself have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner, and, upon compliance with the conditions of rule 33 as to security, shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

39. If before the conclusion of the trial of an election petition the respondent dies or gives notice that he does not intend to oppose the petition, the Commissioners shall cause notice of such event to be published in the Gazette, and thereupon any person who might have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted for such respondent to oppose the petition, and shall be entitled to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

Abatement or substitution on death of respondent.

40. Where at an inquiry into an election petition any candidate, other than the returned candidate, claims the seat for himself, the returned candidate or any other party may give evidence to prove that the election of such candidate would have been void if he had been the returned candidate and a petition had been presented complaining of his election.

Recrimination when seat claimed.

41. When at an inquiry into an election petition the Commissioners so order, the Advocate General or some person acting under his instructions shall attend and take such part therein as they may direct.

Attendance of Law Officers.

Explanation.—The expression “Advocate General” includes also a Government Advocate, or, where there is no Advocate General or Government Advocate, such other officer as the Local Government may appoint in this behalf.

Grounds for declaring election void.

42. (1) Save as hereinafter provided in this rule, if in the opinion of the Commissioners—

- (a) the election of a returned candidate has been procured or induced, or the result of the election has been materially affected, by a corrupt practice, or
- (b) any corrupt practice specified in Part I of Schedule IV has been committed, or
- (c) the result of the election has been materially affected by any irregularity in respect of a nomination paper, or by the improper reception or refusal of a vote, or by any non-compliance with the provisions of the Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder, or by any mistake in the use of any form annexed thereto,

the election of the returned candidate shall be void.

(2) If the Commissioners report that a returned candidate has been guilty by an agent (other than his election agent) of any corrupt practice specified in Part I of Schedule IV which does not amount to any form of bribery other than treating as hereinafter explained or to the procuring or abatement of personation, and if the Commissioners further report that the candidate has satisfied them that—

- (a) no corrupt practice was committed at such election by the candidate or his election agent, and the corrupt practices mentioned in the report were committed contrary to the orders and without the sanction or connivance of such candidate or his election agent, and
- (b) such candidate and his election agent took all reasonable means for preventing the commission of corrupt practices at such election, and
- (c) the corrupt practices mentioned in the said report were of a trivial, unimportant and limited character, and
- (d) in all other respects the election was free from any corrupt practice on the part of such candidate or any of his agents,

then the Commissioners may find that the election of such candidate is not void.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this sub-rule “treating” means the incurring in whole or in part by any person of the expense of giving or providing any food, drink, entertainment or provision to any person with the object, directly or indirectly, of inducing him or any other person to vote or refrain from voting or as a reward for having voted or refrained from voting.

43. (1) At the conclusion of the inquiry, the Commissioners shall report whether the returned candidate, or any other party to the petition who has under the provisions of these rules claimed the seat, has been duly elected, and in so reporting shall have regard to the provisions of rule 42.

Report of Commissioners and procedure thereon.

(2) The report shall be in writing and shall be signed by all the Commissioners. The Commissioners shall forthwith forward their report to the Governor General who, on receipt thereof, shall issue orders in accordance with the report and publish the report in the Gazette, and the orders of the Governor General shall be final.

44. If either in their report or upon any other matter there is a difference of opinion among the Commissioners, the opinion of the majority shall prevail, and their report shall be expressed in the terms of the views of the majority.

Form of report.

45. Where any charge is made in an election petition of any corrupt practice, the Commissioners shall record in their report—

- (a) a finding whether a corrupt practice has or has not been proved to have been committed by any candidate or his agent, or with the connivance of any candidate or his agent, and the nature of such corrupt practice, and
- (b) the names of all persons (if any) who have been proved at the inquiry to have been guilty of any corrupt practice and the nature of such corrupt practice with any such recommendations as they may desire to make for the exemption of any such persons from any disqualifications they may have incurred in this connection under these rules.

PART VIII.

SPECIAL PROVISION.

46. If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules otherwise than in connection with an election inquiry held thereunder, the question shall be referred for the decision of the Governor General, and his decision shall be final.

SCHEDULE I.

(See rule 4.)

I.(1)—List of Constituencies entitled to representation in every Legislative Assembly.

Province.	Name of Constituency.	Class of Constituency.	Extent of Constituency.	No. of members.
Bengal	Calcutta (Non-Muhammadan).	Non-Muhammadan Urban.	Calcutta as defined in section 3 (7) of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1899.	1
Ditto	Calcutta Suburbs (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto	The municipalities and cantonments of the districts of the 24-Parganas, Hooghly and Howrah.	1
Ditto	Burdwan Division (Non-Muhammadan).	Non-Muhammadan Rural.	The Burdwan Division excluding the municipalities of the Hooghly and Howrah districts.	1
Ditto	Presidency Division (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto	The Presidency Division excluding the municipalities and cantonments of the 24-Parganas district.	1
Ditto	Dacca Division (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto	The Dacca Division	1
Ditto	Chittagong and Rajshahi Divisions (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto	The Chittagong Division excluding the Chittagong Hill Tracts and the Rajshahi Division excluding the district of Darjeeling.	1
Ditto	Calcutta and Suburbs (Muhammadan).	Muhammadan Urban.	Calcutta as defined in section 3 (7) of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1899, and the municipalities and cantonments of the districts of the 24-Parganas, Hooghly and Howrah.	1

Province.	Name of Constituency.	Class of Constituency.	Extent of Constituency.	No. of members.
Bengal ...	Burdwan and Calcutta Presidency Divisions (Muhammadan).	Muhammadan Rural.	The Burdwan and Presidency Divisions excluding the municipalities and cantonments of the districts of the 24-Parganas, Hooghly and Howrah.	1
Ditto ...	Dacca Division (Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Dacca Division ...	2
Ditto ...	Chittagong Division (Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Chittagong Division excluding the Chittagong Hill Tracts.	1
Ditto ...	Rajshahi Division (Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Rajshahi Division excluding the district of Darjeeling.	1
Ditto ...	Bengal (European) ...	European ...	The Bengal Presidency excluding the Chittagong Hill Tracts and the district of Darjeeling.	3
Ditto ...	Bengal Landholders ...	Landholders ...	Ditto ...	1
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II. (1)—List of Constituencies entitled to representation in rotation.

Province.	Name of Constituency.	Class of Constituency.	Extent of Constituency.	No. of members.
Bengal	Bengal National Chamber of Commerce.	Indian Commerce	(Non-territorial) ...	1
	Marwari Association ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	
	Bengal Mahajan Sabha ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	
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Note—In the case where three constituencies are bracketed together as entitled to elect one member, the constituency first mentioned shall elect to the first Legislative Assembly at the general election and at all bye-elections so long as the first Legislative Assembly continues, and the second mentioned constituency shall elect at the general election to the next Legislative Assembly and at bye-elections in like manner and the third mentioned constituency shall elect at the general election to the third Legislative Assembly and at bye-elections in like manner and thereafter the constituencies shall elect in like manner in rotation to succeeding Legislative Assemblies.

SCHEDULE II.

(See rule 8.)

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS.

PART III.—BENGAL.

1. For the purposes of this Part—

(a) “a European” means any person of European descent in the male line being a British subject and resident in British India, who either was born in or has a domicile in the United Kingdom or in any British possession or in any State in India, or whose father was so born or has or had up to the date of the birth of the person in question such a domicile ;

(b) “previous year” means the financial year preceding that in which the electoral roll for the time being under preparation is first published under these rules.

2. Where property is held or payments are made jointly by the members of a joint family, the family shall be adopted as the unit for deciding whether under this Part the requisite qualification exists ; and, if it does exist, the person qualified shall be the manager of the family.

3. A person shall not be qualified as an elector for a general constituency by virtue of any property held or payment made as a trustee, administrator, receiver or guardian or in any other fiduciary capacity.

General Constituencies.

4. A person shall be qualified as an elector for the Calcutta (non-Muhammadian) constituency who is neither a Muhammadian nor a European and who has a place of residence in Calcutta as defined in section 3 (7) of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1899, and who during and in respect of the previous year—

(a) has paid as consolidated rate levied under Chapter XII of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1899, not less than Rs. 60, or as taxes levied under Chapter XIV of that Act, not less than Rs. 100: provided that, where any payment has been made in respect of the consolidated rate, a person shall be qualified as an elector only if his name is entered in the municipal assessment book in respect of the payment ; or

(b) has paid in his own name and on his own account income-tax on an income of not less than Rs. 5,000.

5. A person shall be qualified as an elector for any other general constituency who has a place of residence in the constituency and who during and in respect of the previous year, or, as the case may be, during and in respect of the Bengali year next preceding that in which the electoral roll for the time being under preparation is first published under these rules, has paid—

(a) as consolidated rate levied under Chapter XII of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1899, not less than Rs. 60, or as taxes levied under Chapter XIV of that Act, not less than Rs. 100: provided that where any payment has been made in respect of consolidated rate, a person shall be qualified as an elector only if his name is entered in the municipal assessment book in respect of the payment, or

(b) in the municipality of Howrah or of Cossipore-Chitpur, municipal taxes or fees of not less than Rs. 10, or, in any other municipality or cantonment, municipal or cantonment taxes or fees of not less than Rs. 5, or

(c) road and public works cesses under the Cess Act, 1880, of not less than Rs. 5, or

(d) chaukidari tax under the Village-Chaukidari Act, 1870, or union rate under the Bengal Village Self-Government Act, 1919, of not less than Rs. 5, or

(e) in his own name and on his own account income-tax on an income of not less than Rs. 5,000:

Provided that—

(i) no person other than a Muhammadan shall be qualified as an elector for a Muhammadan constituency, and

(ii) no Muhammadan or European shall be qualified as an elector for a non-Muhammadan constituency.

6. A person shall be qualified as an elector for the Bengal (European) constituency who is a European and has a place of residence in the constituency and who during and in respect of the previous year has paid on his own account and in his own name income-tax on an income of not less than Rs. 12,000.

The European Constituency.

Special Constituencies.

7. A person shall be qualified as an elector for the Bengal Landholders' constituency who has a place of residence in the constituency and who during the previous year—

The Landholders' Constituency.

(a) in the Burdwan Division or the Presidency Division held in his own right, as a proprietor, one or more estates or shares of estates and paid in respect thereof land revenue amounting to not less than Rs. 6,000, or road and public works cesses amounting to not less than Rs. 1,500, or

(b) in the Dacca or the Rajshahi or the Chittagong Division held in his own right, as a proprietor, one or more estates or shares of estates, or one or more permanent tenures or shares of such tenures held direct from such a proprietor, and paid in respect thereof land revenue amounting to not less than Rs. 4,000, or road and public works cesses amounting to not less than Rs. 1,000.

8. In determining the qualification of a landholder as an elector—

Determination of qualifications.

(a) only such estates and shares of estates, and only such permanent tenures and shares of permanent tenures, as are not within the district of Darjeeling or the Chittagong Hill Tracts shall be taken into account;

(b) only such estates and shares of estates, as are held by him in his own right and not in a fiduciary capacity and are registered in his own name in the registers maintained under the Land Registration Act, 1876, shall be taken into account;

(c) only such permanent tenures and shares of permanent tenures as are held by him (as owner) in his own right and not in a fiduciary capacity shall be taken into account;

(d) only land revenue or road and public works cesses payable in respect of his own personal share shall be taken into account;

(e) if the amount of land revenue or road and public works cesses paid by a landholder in respect of any share of an estate or permanent tenure is not definitely known, the District Officer of the district in which such estate or tenure is situated shall estimate the amount paid in respect of such share, and his decision shall be final.

Explanation.—A *mutwalli* or manager of a *wakf* estate shall be deemed to hold such estate in his own right, but a trustee or manager of an estate other than a *wakf* estate shall not be so deemed.

9. Members of the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce and of the Marwari Association and of the Bengal Mahajan Sabha shall be qualified as electors respectively for the constituency comprising the Chamber, Association or Sabha of which they are members.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this paragraph “member” includes any person entitled to exercise the rights and privileges of membership on behalf and in the name of any firm, company or corporation registered as a member.

SCHEDULE III.

(See rule 17.)

Return of Election expenses.

1. Under the head of receipts there shall be shown the name and description of every person (including the candidate), club, society or association from whom any money, security or equivalent of money was received in respect of expenses incurred on account of, or in connection with, or incidental to, the election, and the amount received from each person, club, society or association separately.

2. Under the head of expenditure there shall be shown—

(a) the personal expenditure of the candidate incurred or paid by him or his election agent, including travelling and all other personal expenses incurred in connection with his candidature;

(b) the name, and the rate and total amount of the pay, of each person employed as an agent (including the election agent), clerk, or messenger;

(c) the travelling expenses and any other expenses incurred by the candidate or his election agent on account of agents (including the election agent), clerks or messengers;

(d) the travelling expenses of persons, whether in receipt of salary or not, incurred in connection with the candidature, and whether paid or incurred by the candidate, his election agent or the person so travelling;

(e) the cost whether paid or incurred of—

(i) printing,

(ii) advertising,

(iii) stationery,

(iv) postage,

(v) telegrams, and

(vi) rooms hired either for public meetings or as committee rooms;

(f) any other miscellaneous expenses whether paid or incurred.

NOTE.—(1) All expenses incurred in connection with the candidature whether paid by the candidate, his election agent, or any other person, or remaining unpaid on the date of the return are to be set out.

(2) For all items of Rs. 5 and over, unless from the nature of the case (*e.g.*, travel by rail or postage) a receipt is not obtainable, vouchers are to be attached.

(3) All sums paid but for which no receipt is attached are to be set out in detail with dates of payment.

(4) All sums unpaid are to be set out in a separate list.

3. The form of affidavit referred to in rule 17 shall be as follows:—

Affidavit.

I, _____, being the appointed election agent for _____, a candidate for election in the _____ constituency (or I, _____ being a candidate for election in the _____ constituency), do hereby solemnly affirm that the above return of election expenses is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that, except the expenses herein set forth, no expenses of any nature whatsoever have to my knowledge and belief been incurred in, and for the purposes of, _____
's candidature
 my candidature

(Sd.)

Election Agent or Candidate.

Solemnly affirmed before me

Magistrate.

SCHEDULE IV.

(See rules 5, 7, 20, 31, 42 and 45)

The following shall be deemed to be corrupt practices for the purposes of these rules:—

PART I.

1. A gift, offer or promise by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, of any gratifications to any person whomsoever, with the object, directly or indirectly, of inducing—
Bribery.

(a) a person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw from being, a candidate, or

(b) an elector to vote or refrain from voting at an election,

or as a reward to—

(a) a person for having so stood or not stood or for having withdrawn his candidature, or

(b) an elector for having voted or refrained from voting.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this clause the term “gratification” is not restricted to pecuniary gratifications or gratifications estimable in money, and includes all forms of entertainment and all forms of employment for reward; but it does not include the payment of any expenses *bona fide* incurred at or for the purposes of any election and duly entered in the return of election expenses prescribed by these rules.

2. (1) Any direct or indirect interference or attempt to interfere on the part of a candidate or his agent, or of any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, by any of the means hereafter specified, with the right of any person to stand or not to stand or to withdraw from standing as a candidate, or with the free exercise of the franchise of an elector.
Undue influence.

(2) The means above alluded to are—

(a) any violence, injury, restraint, or fraud and any threat thereof;

(b) any threat to a person or inducement to a person to believe he or any person in whom he is interested will become or be rendered an object of divine displeasure or spiritual censure;

but do not include any declaration of public policy or promise of public action.

3. The procuring or abetting or attempting to procure by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, the application by a person for a voting paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead, or in a fictitious name, or by a person who has voted once at an election for a voting paper in his own name at the same election.

4. The publication by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of the candidate or his agent, of any statement of fact which is false and which he either believes to be false or does not believe to be true in relation to the personal character or conduct of any candidate or in relation to the candidature or withdrawal of any candidate, which statement is reasonably calculated to prejudice such candidate's election.

5. The incurring or authorising by a candidate or his agent of expenditure or the employment of any person by a candidate or his agent in contravention of the provisions of any notification of the Governor General in Council issued under rule 18 of these rules.

PART II.

1. Any act specified in Part I, when done by a person who is not a candidate or his agent or a person acting with the connivance of a candidate or his agent.

2. The application by a person at an election for a voting paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead, or in a fictitious name, or for a voting paper in his own name after he has already voted at such election.

3. The receipt of, or agreement to receive, any gratification, whether as a motive or a reward—

- (a) by a person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw from being, a candidate, or
- (b) by any person whomsoever for himself or any other person for voting or refraining from voting, or for inducing or attempting to induce any elector to vote or refrain from voting or any candidate to withdraw his candidature.

4. Any payment or promise of payment to any person whomsoever on account of the conveyance of any elector to or from any place for the purpose of recording his vote.

5. The hiring, employment, borrowing or using for the purposes of the election of any boat, vehicle or animal usually kept for letting on hire or for the conveyance of passengers by hire:

Provided that any elector may hire any boat, vehicle or animal, or use any boat, vehicle or animal which is his own property to convey himself to or from the place where the vote is recorded.

6. The incurring or authorisation of expenses by any person other than a candidate or his election agent on account of holding any public meeting or upon any advertisement, circular or publication or in any other way whatsoever for the purpose of promoting or procuring the election of such candidate, unless he is authorised in writing so to do by the candidate

7. The hiring, using or letting, as a committee-room or for the purpose of any meeting to which electors are admitted, of any building, room or other place where intoxicating liquor is sold to the public.

8. The issuing of any circular, placard or poster having reference to the election which does not bear on its face the name and address of the printer and publisher thereof.

S. P. O'DONNELL,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

Rules for the election and nomination of members to the Bengal Legislative Council, for the qualification of electors and members, the constitution of Constituencies and the final decision of doubts and disputes as to the validity of elections.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 767-F.

Simla, the 27th July 1920.

Whereas by section 47 of the Government of India Act, 1919, it is provided that the said Act shall come into operation on such date or dates as the Governor-General in Council with the approval of the Secretary of State in Council may appoint;

And whereas the said Act confers powers for the making of rules thereunder for the nomination and election of members of the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bengal; and for matters incidental and consequential thereto;

And whereas it is necessary for the purpose of bringing into operation the provisions of the said Act in respect of such Legislative Council on such dates as may hereafter be appointed, to make such rules prior to the date on which these provisions will be brought into operation;

And whereas a draft of such rules was laid before both Houses of Parliament and was duly approved by them with certain modifications and additions;

Now therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 37 of the Interpretation Act, 1889, read with the rule-making powers under the said Act, the Governor-General in Council with the sanction of the Secretary of State in Council is pleased to make the said rules in the form so approved, the same being as follows:—

Short title and commencement.

1. (1) These rules may be called the Bengal Electoral Rules.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

Definitions.

(a) “the Act” means the Government of India Act;

(b) “Commissioners” means Commissioners appointed for the purpose of holding an election inquiry under these rules;

(c) “corrupt practice” means any act deemed to be a corrupt practice under the provisions of Schedule IV;

(d) “election agent” means the person appointed under these rules by a candidate as his agent for an election;

(e) “Gazette” means the *Calcutta Gazette*; and

(f) “Schedule” means a Schedule to these rules.

PART I.

COMPOSITION OF COUNCIL AND CONSTITUENCIES.

Composition of Legislative Council.

3. The Legislative Council of the Governor of Bengal shall consist of—

(1) the members of the Executive Council *ex-officio*;

(2) one hundred and thirteen elected members;

- (3) such number of members nominated by the Governor as, with the addition of the members of the Executive Council, shall amount to twenty-six; of the members so nominated—
- (a) not more than eighteen may be officials, and not less than six shall be non-officials, and
 - (b) two shall be persons nominated to represent, respectively, the following classes or interests, namely:—
 - (i) the Indian Christian community, and
 - (ii) classes which, in the opinion of the Governor, are depressed classes, and
 - (c) two shall be persons nominated to represent the labouring classes.
4. The elected members shall be elected by the constituencies specified in Schedule I, and the number of members to be elected by each constituency shall be as stated therein against that constituency.

PART II.

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTED MEMBERS.

General disqualifications for being elected. 5 (1) A person shall not be eligible for election as a member of the Council if such person—

- (a) is not a British subject; or
- (b) is a female; or
- (c) is already a Member of the Council or of any other legislative body constituted under the Act; or
- (d) having been a legal practitioner has been dismissed or is under suspension from practising as such by order of any competent court; or
- (e) has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind; or
- (f) is under 25 years of age; or
- (g) is an undischarged insolvent; or
- (h) being a discharged insolvent has not obtained from the court a certificate that his insolvency was caused by misfortune without any misconduct on his part:

Provided that the local Government may direct that, subject to such conditions as it may prescribe, a Ruler of any State in India or the Rulers of any such States or a subject of any such State or any class of such subjects shall not be ineligible for election by reason only of not being a British subject or British subjects:

Provided further that the disqualification mentioned in clause (d) may be removed by an order of the local Government in this behalf.

(2) A person against whom a conviction by a criminal court involving a sentence of transportation or imprisonment for a period of more than six months is subsisting shall, unless the offence of which he was convicted has been pardoned, not be eligible for election for five years from the date of the expiration of the sentence.

(3) If any person is convicted of an offence under Chapter IX-A of the Indian Penal Code punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or is, after an inquiry by Commissioners appointed under any rules for the time being in force regarding elections to a legislative body constituted under the Act, reported as guilty of a corrupt practice as specified in Part I, or in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of Part II of Schedule IV, such person shall not be eligible for election for five years from the date of such conviction or of the finding of the Commissioners, as the case may be; and a person reported by any such Commissioners to be guilty of any other corrupt practice shall be similarly disqualified for three years from such date.

(4) If any person has been a candidate or an election agent at an election to any legislative body constituted under the Act and has failed to lodge any prescribed return of election expenses or has lodged a return

which is found, either by Commissioners holding an inquiry into the election or by a Magistrate in a judicial proceeding, to be false in any material particular, such person shall not be eligible for election for five years from the date of such election :

Provided that any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of this rule may be removed by an order of the local Government in that behalf.

6. (1) (a) No person shall be eligible for election as a member of the Council to represent a general constituency unless his name is registered on the electoral roll of the constituency or of any other constituency in the province; and unless in the case of a non-Muhammadan, Muhammadan, European or Anglo-Indian constituency he is himself a non-Muhammadan, Muhammadan, European or Anglo-Indian, as the case may be.

(b) No person shall be eligible for election as a member of the Council to represent a special constituency unless his name is registered on the electoral roll of the constituency.

(2) For the purposes of these rules—

(a) “general constituency” means a non-Muhammadan, Muhammadan, European or Anglo-Indian constituency; and

(b) “special constituency” means a Landholders’, University, or Commerce and Industry constituency.

PART III.

THE ELECTORAL ROLL.

7. (1) Every person shall be entitled to have his name registered on the electoral roll of a constituency who has the qualifications prescribed for an elector of that constituency and who is not subject to any of the disqualifications hereinafter set out, namely :—

(a) is not a British subject; or

(b) is a female; or

(c) has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind; or

(d) is under 21 years of age :

Provided that the local Government may direct that, subject to such conditions as it may prescribe, a Ruler of any State in India or the Rulers of any such States or a subject of any such State or any class of such subjects shall not be disqualified for registration by reason only of not being a British subject or British subjects :

Provided further that, if a resolution is passed by the Council after not less than one month’s notice has been given of an intention to move such a resolution, recommending that the sex disqualification for registration should be removed either in respect of women generally or any class of women, the local Government shall make regulations providing that women or a class of women, as the case may be, shall not be disqualified for registration by reason only of their sex :

Provided further that no person shall be entitled to have his name registered on the electoral roll of more than one general constituency.

(2) If any person is convicted of an offence under Chapter IX-A of the Indian Penal Code punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or is, after an inquiry by Commissioners appointed under any rules for the time being in force regarding elections to a legislative body constituted under the Act, reported as guilty of a corrupt practice as specified in Part I, or in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of Part II of Schedule IV, his name, if on the electoral roll, shall be removed therefrom and shall not be registered thereon for a period of five years from the date of the conviction or the report, as the case may be, or, if not on the electoral roll, shall not be so registered for a like period; and if any person is reported by any such Commissioners as guilty of any other corrupt practice, his name, if on the electoral roll, shall be removed therefrom and shall not be registered

thereon for a period of three years from the date of the report or, if not on the electoral roll, shall not be so registered for a like period :

Provided that the local Government may direct that the name of any person to whom this sub-rule applies shall be registered on the electoral roll.

8. (1) The qualifications of an elector for a general constituency shall be such qualifications based on—

Qualifications of electors.

- (i) community,
- (ii) residence, and
- (iii) (a) occupation of a building, or
 - (b) payment of municipal or cantonment taxes or fees, or
 - (c) payment of cesses under the Cess Act, 1880, or
 - (d) payment of chaukidari tax or union rate under the Village-Chaukidari Act, 1870, or the Bengal Village Self-Government Act, 1919, or
 - (e) payment of income-tax, or
 - (f) receipt of a military pension, or
 - (g) the holding of land,

as are specified in Schedule II in the case of that constituency.

(2) The qualifications of an elector for a special constituency shall be the qualifications specified in Schedule II in the case of that constituency.

9. (1) An electoral roll shall be prepared for every constituency, on which shall be entered the names of all persons appearing to be entitled to be registered as electors for that constituency. It shall be published in the constituency together with a notice specifying the mode in which and the time within which any person whose name is not entered in the roll and who claims to have it inserted therein, or any person whose name is on the roll and who objects to the inclusion of his own name or of the name of any other person on the roll, may prefer a claim or objection to the revising authority.

Electoral roll.

(2) Subject to the provisions of these rules, the local Government shall make regulations providing for—

- (1) the authority by whom the electoral roll shall be prepared and the particulars to be contained in the roll;
- (2) the time at which the roll shall be prepared;
- (3) the publication of the roll in such manner and in such language as to give it wide publicity in the constituency to which it relates;
- (4) the mode in which and the time within which claims and objections may be preferred;
- (5) the constitution and appointment of Revising Authorities to dispose of claims and objections;
- (6) the manner in which notices of claims or objections shall be published;
- (7) the place, date, and time at which and the manner in which claims or objections shall be heard;

and may make such regulations to provide for other matters incidental or ancillary to the preparation and revision of the roll as it may consider desirable. Such regulations may be made as to rolls generally or any class of rolls or any particular roll.

(3) The orders made by the Revising Authority shall be final, and the electoral roll shall be amended in accordance therewith and shall, as so amended, be republished in such manner as the local Government may prescribe.

(4) The electoral roll shall come into force from the date of such republication, and shall continue in force for a period of three years or for such less period as the local Government may by regulation prescribe, and after the expiration of such period a fresh roll shall be prepared in accordance with these rules.

(5) If a constituency is called upon to elect a member or members after an electoral roll has ceased to have force and before the completion of the new electoral roll, the old electoral roll shall for the purposes of that election continue to operate as the electoral roll for the constituency.

10. Every person registered on the electoral roll for the time being in force for any constituency shall while so registered be entitled to vote at an election of a member or members for that constituency: provided that no person shall vote in more than one general constituency.
- Right to vote.

PART IV.

ELECTIONS.

11. (1) Any person may be nominated as a candidate for election in any constituency for which he is eligible for election under these rules.
- Nomination of candidates.
- (2) On or before the date on which a candidate is nominated the candidate shall make in writing and sign a declaration appointing either himself or some other person who is not disqualified under these rules for the appointment to be his election agent, and no candidate shall be deemed to be duly nominated unless such declaration has been made.
- (3) A candidate who has withdrawn his candidature shall not be allowed to cancel the withdrawal or to be renominated as a candidate for the same election.
12. (1) If the number of candidates who are duly nominated and who have not withdrawn their candidature before such time as the local Government may fix in this behalf exceeds that of the vacancies, a poll shall be taken.
- Procedure at election.
- (2) If the number of such candidates is equal to the number of vacancies, all such candidates shall be declared to be duly elected.
- (3) If the number of such candidates is less than the number of vacancies, all such candidates shall be declared to be elected, and the Governor shall, by a notification in the Gazette, call for fresh nominations for the remaining vacancy or vacancies, and if any such are received shall call upon the constituency to elect a member or members as the case may be.
- (4) Votes shall be given by ballot and in general constituencies in person. No votes shall be received by proxy.
- (5) In plural-member constituencies every elector shall have as many votes as there are members to be elected, but no elector shall give more than one vote to any one candidate:
- Provided that in the Presidency and Burdwan (European) constituency the election shall be made according to the principle of proportionate representation by means of the single transferable vote, and votes shall be given in accordance with regulations made in that behalf by the local Government.
- (6) Votes shall be counted by or under the supervision of the Returning Officer, and any candidate, or, in the absence of the candidate, a representative duly authorised by him in writing, shall have a right to be present at the time of counting.
- (7) When the counting of the votes has been completed, the Returning Officer shall forthwith declare the candidate or candidates, as the case may be, to whom the largest number of votes has been given to be elected:
- Provided that in the Presidency and Burdwan (European) constituency the Returning Officer shall determine the candidates to whom the largest number of votes has been given in accordance with the regulations made in that behalf.
- (8) Where an equality of votes is found to exist between any candidates and the addition of one vote will entitle any of the candidates to be declared elected, the determination of the person or persons to whom such one additional vote shall be deemed to have been given shall be made by lot to be drawn in the presence of the Returning Officer and in such manner as he may determine.
- (9) The Returning Officer shall without delay report the result of the election to the Secretary to the Council, and the name or names of the candidate or candidates elected shall be published in the Gazette.

Government to make regulations regarding the conduct of election.

13. (1) Subject to the provisions of these rules, the local Government shall make regulations providing—

- (1) for the form and manner in, and the conditions on, which nominations may be made, and for the scrutiny of nominations;
- (2) for the appointment of a Returning Officer for each constituency and for his powers and duties;
- (3) in the case of general constituencies, for the division of the constituencies into polling areas in such manner as to give all electors such reasonable facilities for voting as are practicable in the circumstances, and for the appointment of polling stations for these areas;
- (4) for the appointment of officers to preside at polling stations, and for the duties of such officers;
- (5) for the checking of voters by reference to the electoral roll;
- (6) for the manner in which votes are to be given, and in particular for the case of illiterate voters, or voters under physical or other disability;
- (7) for the procedure to be followed in respect of tender of votes by persons representing themselves to be electors after other persons have voted as such electors;
- (8) for the scrutiny of votes;
- (9) for the safe custody of ballot papers and other election papers, for the period for which such papers shall be preserved, and for the inspection and production of such papers;

and may make such other regulations regarding the conduct of elections as it thinks fit.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in these rules, if a resolution in favour of the introduction of proportional representation is passed by the Council after not less than one month's notice has been given of an intention to move such a resolution, the local Government may for any plural-member constituencies introduce the method of election by means of the single transferable vote and may make all necessary regulations for that purpose and to that end may group together single-member constituencies so as to make new plural-member constituencies.

(3) In the exercise of the foregoing power regulations may be made as to elections generally or any class of elections or in regard to constituencies generally or any class of constituency or any particular constituency.

14. (1) If any person is elected by a constituency of the Council and by a constituency of either chamber of the Indian legislature, the election of such person to the

Multiple elections.

Council shall be void and the Governor shall call upon the constituency concerned to elect another person.

(2) If any person is elected either by more than one constituency of the Council or by a constituency of the Council and a constituency of the Legislative Council of another province, he shall, by notice in writing signed by him and delivered to the Secretary to the Council or the Secretaries to both Councils, as the case may be, within seven days from the date of the publication of the result of such election in the local official Gazette, choose for which of these constituencies he shall serve, and the choice shall be conclusive.

(3) When any such choice has been made, the Governor shall call upon the constituency or constituencies for which such person has not chosen to serve to elect another person or persons.

(4) If the candidate does not make the choice referred to in sub-rule (2) of this rule, the elections of such person shall be void and the Governor shall call upon the constituency or constituencies concerned to elect another person or persons.

Election agents and return of expenses.

15. No person shall be appointed an election agent who is himself ineligible for election as being subject to any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of rule 5.

Disqualification for being election agent.

16. (1) The appointment of an election agent, whether the election agent appointed be the candidate himself or not, may only be revoked by a writing signed by the candidate and lodged with the officer receiving nominations and shall operate from the date on which it is so lodged.

Revocation of appointment of election agent.

(2) In the event of such a revocation or of the death of any election agent, whether such event occurs before, during or after the election, then the candidate shall appoint forthwith another election agent and declare his name in writing to the said officer.

17. (1) Within one month or such longer period as the Governor may allow after the date of the declaration of the election every candidate, either personally or through his election agent, shall cause to be lodged with the Returning Officer a return of his election expenses containing the particulars specified in Schedule III.

Return of election expenses.

(2) Every such return shall contain a statement of all payments made by the candidate or by his election agent or by any persons on behalf of the candidate or in his interests for expenses incurred on account of, or in respect of, the conduct and management of the election, and further a statement of all unpaid claims in respect of such expenses of which he or his election agent is aware.

(3) The return shall be accompanied by declarations by the candidate and his election agent which shall be in the form contained in Schedule III and shall be made on oath or affirmation before a Magistrate.

(4) The local Government shall cause to be prepared in such manner, and maintained for such time, as it may direct, a record showing the names of all candidates at every election under these rules and the date on which the return of election expenses of each candidate has been lodged with the Returning Officer.

18. (1) The Governor-General in Council may by notification in the Gazette,—

Fixation of maximum election expenses.

- (a) fix maximum scales of election expenses, which shall be applicable to any election held after the first election under these rules; and
- (b) prescribe the numbers and description of persons who may be employed for payment in connection with any election held under these rules.

(2) Any notification issued under this rule may make different provisions for different constituencies.

19. Every election agent shall keep regular books of account in which the particulars of all expenditure of the nature referred to in rule 17 shall be entered, whether such expenditure is incurred by the candidate or by the election agent or by any person under the direction of the candidate or the election agent.

Accounts of agents.

PART V.

NOMINATED MEMBERS.

General disqualifications for nomination.

20. (1) No person shall be nominated to the Council who—

- (a) is not a British subject; or
- (b) is a female; or
- (c) is already a member of the Council or of any other legislative body constituted under the Act; or
- (d) having been a legal practitioner has been dismissed or is under suspension from practising as such by order of any competent court; or
- (e) has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind; or
- (f) is under 25 years of age; or
- (g) is an undischarged insolvent; or
- (h) being a discharged insolvent has not obtained from the court a certificate that his insolvency was caused by misfortune without any misconduct on his part:

Provided that the local Government may direct that, subject to such conditions as it may prescribe, a Ruler of any State in India or the Rulers of

any such States or a subject of any such State or any class of such subjects shall not be disqualified for nomination by reason only of not being a British subject or British subjects :

Provided farther that the disqualification mentioned in clause (d) may be removed by an order of the local Government in this behalf.

(2) A person against whom a conviction by a criminal court involving a sentence of transportation or imprisonment for a period of more than six months is subsisting shall, unless the offence of which he was convicted has been pardoned, not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of the expiration of the sentence.

(3) If any person is convicted of an offence under Chapter IX-A of the Indian Penal Code punishable with imprisonment for a term exceeding six months or is, after an inquiry by Commissioners appointed under any rules for the time being in force regarding elections to a legislative body constituted under the Act, reported as guilty of a corrupt practice as specified in Part I, or in paragraph 1, 2 or 3 of Part II, of Schedule IV, such person shall not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of such conviction or of the finding of the Commissioners, as the case may be ; and a person reported by any such Commissioners to be guilty of any other corrupt practice shall be similarly disqualified for three years from such date.

(4) If any person has been a candidate or an election agent at an election to any legislative body constituted under the Act and has failed to lodge any prescribed return of election expenses or has lodged a return which is found, either by Commissioners holding an inquiry into the election or by a Magistrate in a judicial proceeding to be false in any material particular, such person shall not be eligible for nomination for five years from the date of the election :

Provided that any disqualification mentioned in sub-rule (3) or sub-rule (4) of this rule may be removed by an order of the local Government in that behalf.

21. (1) A nominated non-official member shall hold office for the duration of the Council to which he is nominated.
Term of office of nominated member.

(2) Official members shall hold office for the duration of the Council to which they are nominated or for such shorter period as the Governor may, at the time of nomination, determine.

PART VI.

GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Obligation to take oath.

22. Every person who is elected or nominated to be a member of the Council shall before taking his seat make, at a meeting of the Council, an oath or affirmation of his allegiance to the Crown in the following form, namely :—

I, A. B., having been ^{elected} ^{nominated} a member of this Council do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty the King, Emperor of India, His heirs and successors, and that I will faithfully discharge the duty upon which I am about to enter.

Vacation of Seat.

23. (1) If any person having been elected or nominated subsequently becomes subject to any of the disabilities stated in clauses (a), (d), (e), (g) and (h) of sub-rule (1) or in sub-rules (2), (3) and (4) of rule 5 or of rule 20, as the case may be, or fails to make the oath or affirmation prescribed by rule 22 within such time as the Governor considers reasonable, the Governor shall, by notification in the Gazette, declare his seat to be vacant.

(2) When any such declaration is made, the Governor shall, by notification as aforesaid, call upon the constituency concerned to elect another person within such time as may be prescribed by the notification, or shall nominate another person, as the case may be.

24. (1) When a vacancy occurs in the case of an elected member by reason of his election being declared void, or by reason of absence from India, inability to attend to duty, death, acceptance of office or resignation duly accepted, the Governor shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituency concerned to elect a person for the purpose of filling the vacancy within such time as may be prescribed by such notification.

Casual vacancies.

(2) If a vacancy occurs in the case of a nominated member, the Governor shall nominate to the vacancy a person having the necessary qualification under these rules.

First Constitution of the Council.

25. (1) As soon as conveniently may be after these rules come into force, a Council shall be constituted in accordance with their provisions.

Constitution of Council.

(2) For this purpose the Governor shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituencies referred to in rule 4 to elect members in accordance with these rules within such time as may be prescribed by such notification, and shall make such nominations as may be necessary to complete the Council before the date fixed for its first meeting.

(3) If any difficulty arises as to the preparation or publication of the first electoral roll or the holding of the first elections after the commencement of these rules, the local Government may by order do any matter or thing which appears to it necessary for the proper preparation or publication of the roll or for the proper holding of the elections.

General Elections.

26. (1) On the expiration of the duration of a Council or on its dissolution, a general election shall be held in order that a new Council may be constituted.

Reconstitution of Council.

(2) On such expiration or dissolution, the Governor shall, by notification in the Gazette, call upon the constituencies referred to in rule 4 to elect members in accordance with these rules within such time after the date of expiration or dissolution as may be prescribed by such notification :

Provided that, if the Governor thinks fit, such notification may be issued at any time not being more than three months prior to the date on which the duration of the Council would expire in the ordinary course of events.

(3) Before the date fixed for the first meeting of the Council, the Governor shall make such nominations as may be necessary to complete the Council.

27. As soon as may be after the expiration of the time fixed for the election of members at any general election, the names of the members elected for the various constituencies at such election shall be notified in the Gazette.

Publication of result of general election.

PART VII.

THE FINAL DECISION OF DOUBTS AND DISPUTES AS TO THE VALIDITY OF AN ELECTION.

Definitions.

28. In this Part and in Schedule IV, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

(a) "agent" includes an election agent and any person who is held by Commissioners to have acted as an agent in connection with an election with the knowledge or consent of the candidate ;

(b) "candidate" means a person who has been nominated as a candidate at any election or who claims that he has been so nominated or that his nomination has been improperly refused, and includes a person who, when an election is in contemplation, holds himself out as a prospective candidate at such election, provided that he is subsequently nominated as a candidate at such election ; and

(c) "returned candidate" means a candidate whose name has been published under these rules as duly elected.

29. No election shall be called in question except by an election petition presented in accordance with the provisions of this part.

The election petition.

30. An election petition may be presented to the Governor by any candidate or elector against any returned candidate within fourteen days from the date on which

Presentation of the petition.

the result of the election has been published in accordance with sub-rule (9) of rule 12.

31. The petition shall contain a statement in concise form of the material facts on which the petitioner relies and the particulars of any corrupt practice which he

Contents of the petition.

alleges and shall, where necessary, be divided into paragraphs numbered consecutively. It shall be signed by the petitioner and verified in the manner prescribed for the verification of pleadings in the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908.

32. The petitioner may, if he so desires in addition to calling in question the election of the returned candidate, claim a

Against whom it may be presented.

declaration that he himself or any other candidate has been duly elected; in which case he shall join as respondent to his petition all other candidates who were nominated at the election.

33. At the time of presentation of the petition, the petitioner shall deposit with it the sum of one thousand rupees in

Deposit of security.

cash or in Government Promissory Notes of equal value at the market rate of the day as security for the costs of the same.

Dismissal for default.

34. (1) If the provisions of rule 33 are not complied with, the Governor shall dismiss the petition.

Appointment of Commissioners.

(2) Upon compliance with the provisions of rule 33—

(a) the Governor shall appoint as Commissioners for the trial of the petition three persons who are or have been, or are eligible to be appointed, Judges of a High Court within the meaning of section 101 (3) of the Act, and shall appoint one of them to be the President, and thereafter all applications and proceedings in connection therewith shall be dealt with and held by such Commissioners;

(b) the President of the Commission so constituted shall, as soon as may be, cause a copy of the petition to be served on each respondent and to be published in the Gazette, and may call on the petitioner to execute a bond in such amount and with such sureties as he may require for the payment of any further costs. At any time within fourteen days after such publication, any other candidate shall be entitled to be joined as a respondent on giving security in a like amount and procuring the execution of a like bond.

(3) When in respect of an election in a constituency more petitions than one are presented, the Governor shall refer all such petitions to the same Commissioners, who may at their discretion inquire into the petitions either in one or in more proceedings as they shall think fit.

35. Every election petition shall be inquired into by the Commissioners, as nearly as may be, in accordance with the procedure applicable under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908, to the trial of suits: provided that it shall only be necessary for the Commissioners to make a memorandum of the substance of the evidence

Inquiry by Commissioners.

of any witness examined by them.

36. The inquiry shall be held at such place as the Governor may appoint: provided that the Commissioners may

Place of inquiry.

in their discretion sit at any other place in the presidency for any part of the inquiry, and may depute any one of their number to take evidence at any place in the presidency.

Withdrawal of petition.

37. (1) No election petition shall be withdrawn without the leave of the Commissioners.

(2) If there are more petitioners than one, no application to withdraw a petition shall be made, except with the consent of all the petitioners.

(3) When an application for withdrawal is made notice thereof fixing a date for the hearing of the application shall be given to all other parties to the petition and shall be published in the Gazette.

(4) No application for withdrawal shall be granted if the Commissioners are of opinion that such application has been induced by any bargain or consideration which the Commissioners consider ought not to be allowed.

(5) If the application is granted—

(a) the petitioner shall be ordered to pay the costs of the respondent theretofore incurred or such portion thereof as the Commissioners may think fit;

(b) such withdrawal shall be reported to the Governor, who shall publish notice thereof in the Gazette; and

(c) any person who might himself have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner in place of the party withdrawing, and, upon compliance with the conditions of rule 33 as to security, shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

Abatement or substitution on death of petitioner.

38. (1) An election petition shall abate only on the death of a sole petitioner or of the survivor of several petitioners.

(2) Such abatement shall be reported to the Governor, who shall publish notice thereof in the Gazette.

(3) Any person who might himself have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted as petitioner, and, upon compliance with the conditions of rule 33 as to security, shall be entitled to be so substituted and to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

39. If before the conclusion of the trial of an election petition the respondent dies or gives notice that he does not intend to oppose the petition, the Commissioners shall cause notice of such event to be published in the Gazette, and thereupon any person who might have been a petitioner may, within seven days of such publication, apply to be substituted for such respondent to oppose the petition, and shall be entitled to continue the proceedings upon such terms as the Commissioners may think fit.

Abatement or substitution on death of respondent.

40. Where at an inquiry into an election petition any candidate, other than the returned candidate, claims the seat for himself, the returned candidate or any other party may give evidence to prove that the election of such candidate would have been void if he had been the returned candidate and a petition had been presented complaining of his election.

Reexamination when seat claimed.

41. When at an inquiry into an election petition the Commissioners so order, the Advocate General or some person acting under his instructions shall attend and take such part therein as they may direct.

Attendance of Law Officers.

42. (1) Save as hereinafter provided in this rule, if in the opinion of the Commissioners—

Grounds for declaring election void.

(a) the election of a returned candidate has been procured or induced, or the result of the election has been materially affected, by a corrupt practice, or

(b) any corrupt practice specified in Part I of Schedule IV has been committed, or

(c) the result of the election has been materially affected by any irregularity in respect of a nomination paper, or by the improper reception or refusal of a vote, or by any non-compliance with the provisions of the Act or the rules or regulations made thereunder, or by any mistake in the use of any form annexed thereto,

the election of the returned candidate shall be void.

(2) If the Commissioners report that a returned candidate has been guilty by an agent (other than his election agent) of any corrupt practice specified in Part I of Schedule IV which does not amount to any form of bribery other than treating as hereinafter explained or to the procuring or abetment of personation, and if the Commissioners further report that the candidate has satisfied them that—

- (a) no corrupt practice was committed at such election by the candidate or his election agent, and the corrupt practices mentioned in the report were committed contrary to the orders and without the sanction or connivance of such candidate or his election agent, and
- (b) such candidate and his election agent took all reasonable means for preventing the commission of corrupt practices at such election, and
- (c) the corrupt practices mentioned in the said report were of a trivial, unimportant and limited character, and
- (d) in all other respects the election was free from any corrupt practice on the part of such candidate or any of his agents,

then the Commissioners may find that the election of such candidate is not void.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this sub-rule “treating” means the incurring in whole or in part by any person of the expense of giving or providing any food, drink, entertainment or provision to any person with the object, directly or indirectly, of inducing him or any other person to vote or refrain from voting or as a reward for having voted or refrained from voting.

43. (1) At the conclusion of the enquiry, the Commissioners shall report whether the returned candidate or any other party to the petition who has under the provisions of these rules claimed the seat has been duly elected, and in so reporting shall have regard to the provisions of rule 42.

(2) The report shall be in writing and shall be signed by all the Commissioners. The Commissioners shall forthwith forward their report to the Governor who, on receipt thereof, shall issue orders in accordance with the report and publish the report in the Gazette, and the orders of the Governor shall be final.

44. If either in their report or upon any other matter there is a difference of opinion among the Commissioners, the opinion of the majority shall prevail, and their report shall be expressed in the terms of the views of the majority.

45. Where any charge is made in an election petition of any corrupt practice, the Commissioners shall record in their report—

- (a) a finding whether a corrupt practice has or has not been proved to have been committed by any candidate or his agent, or with the connivance of any candidate or his agent, and the nature of such corrupt practice, and
- (b) the names of all persons (if any) who have been proved at the inquiry to have been guilty of any corrupt practice and the nature of such corrupt practice with any such recommendations as they may desire to make for the exemption of any such persons from any disqualifications they may have incurred in this connection under these rules.

PART VIII.

SPECIAL PROVISION.

46. If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules otherwise than in connection with an election inquiry held thereunder, the question shall be referred for the decision of the Governor, and his decision shall be final.

SCHEDULE I.

(See rule 4.)

LIST OF CONSTITUENCIES.

Name of constituency.	Class of constituency.	Extent of constituency.	No. of members.
Calcutta North (Non-Muhammadan).	Non-Muhammadan Urban.	The Shampukur, Kumartoli, and Bartola wards of Calcutta	1
Calcutta North-West (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Jora Bagan and Bara Bazar wards of Calcutta.	1
Calcutta East (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Sukea's Street, Jorasanko and Collootola wards of Calcutta.	1
Calcutta North Central (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Muchipara, Bow Bazar, Padopukur, and Waterloo Street wards of Calcutta.	1
Calcutta South Central (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Fenwick Bazar, Taltola, Kalinga, Park Street, Baman Bustee, Entally, and Baniapukur wards of Calcutta.	1
Calcutta South (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Hastings, Ballyganj and Tollyganj, Bhowanipur, Alipur, Ekbalpur and Watganj wards of Calcutta.	1
Hooghly Municipal (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The municipalities of the Hooghly district.	1
Howrah Municipal (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The municipalities of the Howrah district	1
24-Parganas Municipal North (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The municipalities and cantonments of the Barrackpore subdivision of the 24-Parganas district and the Cossipore-Chitpore municipality.	1
24-Parganas Municipal South (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The municipalities of the Sadar, Barasat and Basirhat subdivisions of the 24-Parganas district excluding the municipality of Cossipore-Chitpore.	1
Dacca City (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The municipality of Dacca...	1
Burdwan (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Non-Muhammadan Rural.	The Burdwan district ...	2
Birbhum (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Birbhum district ...	1
Bankura West (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Sadar subdivision of the Bankura district.	1
Bankura East (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Vishnupur subdivision of the Bankura district.	1
Midnapore North (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Ghatal and Sadar subdivisions of the Midnapore district.	1
Midnapore South (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Contai and Tamluk subdivisions of the Midnapore district.	2
Hooghly cum Howrah Rural (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Hooghly and Howrah districts excluding municipal areas.	2
24-Parganas Rural Central (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Sadar subdivision of the 24-Parganas district (excluding municipal and cantonment areas).	1
24-Parganas Rural South (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Diamond Harbour subdivision of the 24-Parganas district.	1
24-Parganas Rural North (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Baraset, Basirhat and Barrackpore subdivisions of the 24-Parganas district (excluding municipal and cantonment areas).	1

Name of constituency.	Class of constituency.	Extent of constituency.	No. of members.
Nadia (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Non-Muhammadan Rural.	The Nadia district ...	1
Murshidabad (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Murshidabad district ...	1
Jessore South (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Sadar and Narail subdivisions of the Jessore district.	1
Jessore North (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Magura, Jhenida and Bongaon subdivisions of the Jessore district.	1
Khulna (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Khulna district ...	1
Dacca Rural (Non-Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Dacca district (excluding the municipality of Dacca).	1
Mymensingh West (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Jamalpur and Tangail subdivisions of the Mymensingh district.	1
Mymensingh East (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Sadar, Kishorganj and Netrakona subdivisions of the Mymensingh district.	1
Faridpur North (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Sadar and Goalundo subdivisions of the Faridpur district.	1
Faridpur South (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Madaripur and Gopalganj subdivisions of the Faridpur district.	1
Bakarganj North (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Northern Sadar, Southern Sadar, and Bhola subdivisions of the Bakarganj district.	1
Bakarganj South (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Patuakhali and Pirojpur subdivisions of the Bakarganj district.	1
Chittagong (Non-Muhammadan)...	Ditto ...	The Chittagong district ...	1
Tippera (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Tippera district ...	1
Noakhali (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Noakhali district ...	1
Rajshahi (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Rajshahi district ...	1
Dinajpur (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Dinajpur district ...	1
Rangpur (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Rangpur district ...	2
Bogra cum Pabna (Non-Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The Bogra and Pabna districts ...	1
Malda (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Malda district ...	1
Jalpaiguri (Non-Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Jalpaiguri district ...	1
Calcutta North (Muhammadan) ...	Muhammadan Urban	The Shampukur, Kamartoli, Bartola, Sukea's Street, Jora Bagan, Jorasanko, Bara Bazar, Collootola, Muchipara, Bow Bazar, Padopukur and Waterloo Street wards of Calcutta.	1
Calcutta South (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Fenwick Bazar, Taltola, Kalinga, Park Street, Baman Bustee, Hastings, Entally, Baniapukur, Ballyganj and Tollyganj, Bhowanipur, Alipur, Ekbalpur, and Watganj wards of Calcutta.	1
Hooghly cum Howrah Municipal (Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The municipalities of the Hooghly and Howrah districts.	1

Name of constituency.	Class of constituency.	Extent of constituency.	No. of members.
24 Parganas Municipal North (Muhammadan),	Muhammadan Urban	The municipalities and cantonments of the Barrackpore subdivision of the 24-Parganas district and the Cossipore-Chitpur municipality.	1
24-Parganas Municipal South (Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The municipalities of the Sadar, Baraset and Basirhat subdivisions of the 24-Parganas district excluding the municipality of Cossipore-Chitpur.	1
Dacca City (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The municipality of Dacca ...	1
Burdwan Division, North (Muhammadan).	Muhammadan Rural	The districts of Burdwan, Birbhum and Bankura.	1
Burdwan Division, South (Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The districts of Midnapore, Hooghly and Howrah excluding the municipalities of the Hooghly and Howrah districts.	1
24-Parganas Rural (Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The 24-Parganas district (excluding municipal and cantonment areas).	1
Nadia (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Nadia district ...	1
Murshidabad (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Murshidabad district ...	1
Jessore North (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Jhenida and Magura subdivisions of the Jessore district.	1
Jessore South (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Sadar, Bongaon and Narail subdivisions of the Jessore district.	1
Khulna (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Khulna district ...	1
Dacca West Rural (Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Munshiganj and Manikganj subdivisions of the Dacca district.	1
Dacca East Rural (Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Sadar and Narayanganj subdivisions of the Dacca district.	1
Mymensingh West (Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Jamalpur and Tangail subdivisions of the Mymensingh district.	2
Mymensingh East (Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Sadar, Kishoreganj and Netrakona subdivisions of the Mymensingh district.	2
Faridpur North (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Sadar and Goalundo subdivisions of the Faridpur district.	1
Faridpur South (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Madaripur and Gopalganj subdivisions of the Faridpur district.	1
Bakarganj North (Muhammadan)...	Ditto ...	The Northern Sadar and Bhola subdivisions of the Bakarganj district.	1
Bakarganj West (Muhammadan)...	Ditto ...	The Southern Sadar and Pirojpur subdivisions of the Bakarganj district.	1
Bakarganj South (Muhammadan)	Ditto ...	The Patuakhali subdivision of the Bakarganj district.	1
Chittagong (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Chittagong district ...	2
Tippera (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Tippera district ...	2

Name of constituency.	Class of constituency.	Extent of constituency.	No. of members.
Noakhali (Muhammadan) ...	Muhammadan Rural	Noakhali district ...	2
Rajshahi South (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Sadar subdivision of the Rajshahi district.	1
Rajshahi North (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Nator and Nangaon subdivisions of the Rajshahi district.	1
Dinajpur (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Dinajpur district ...	1
Rangpur West (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Sadar and Nilphamari subdivisions of the Rangpur district.	1
Rangpur East (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	The Gaibandha and Kurigaon subdivisions of the Rangpur district.	1
Bogra (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Bogra district ...	1
Pabna (Muhammadan) ...	Ditto ...	Pabna district ...	1
Malda cum Jalpaiguri (Muhammadan).	Ditto ...	The districts of Malda and Jalpaiguri ...	1
Presidency and Burdwan (European).	European ...	The Presidency and Burdwan Divisions...	3
Dacca and Chittagong (European)	Ditto ...	The divisions of Dacca and Chittagong, excluding the Chittagong Hill Tracts.	1
Rajshahi (European) ...	Ditto ...	The division of Rajshahi, excluding the district of Darjeeling.	1
Anglo-Indian ...	Anglo-Indian ...	The Presidency of Bengal, excluding the district of Darjeeling and the Chittagong Hill Tracts.	2
Burdwan Landholders ...	Landholders ...	The Burdwan Division ...	1
Presidency Landholders ...	Ditto ...	The Presidency Division ...	1
Dacca Landholders ...	Ditto ...	The Dacca Division ...	1
Chittagong Landholders ...	Ditto ...	The Chittagong Division, excluding the Chittagong Hill Tracts.	1
Rajshahi Landholders ...	Ditto ...	The Rajshahi Division, excluding the district of Darjeeling.	1
Calcutta University ...	University ...	(Non-territorial) ...	1
Bengal Chamber of Commerce ...	Commerce and Industry.	Ditto ...	6
Indian Jute Mills Association ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	2
Indian Tea Association ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	1
Indian Mining Association ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	1
Calcutta Trades Association ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	1
Bengal National Chamber of Commerce.	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	2
Bengal Marwari Association ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	1
Bengal Mahajan Sabha ...	Ditto ...	Ditto ...	1

SCHEDULE II.

(See rule 8.)

QUALIFICATIONS OF ELECTORS.

Definitions.

1. In this schedule—

- (a) "an Anglo-Indian" means any person being a British subject and resident in British India,
- (i) of European descent in the male line who is not a European, or
- (ii) of mixed Asiatic and non-Asiatic descent whose father, grandfather or more remote ancestor in the male line was born in the Continent of Europe, Canada, Newfoundland, Australia, New Zealand, the Union of South Africa or the United States of America, and who is not a European;
- (b) "a European" means any person of European descent in the male line being a British subject and resident in British India, who either was born in or has a domicile in the United Kingdom or in any British possession or in any State in India, or whose father was so born or has or had up to the date of the birth of the person in question such a domicile;
- (c) "previous year" means the financial year preceding that in which the electoral roll for the time being under preparation is first published under these rules.

General Constituencies.

Qualifications based on community.

2. A person shall be qualified as an elector—

- (a) for a non-Muhammadian constituency who is neither a Muhammadan nor a European nor an Anglo-Indian; and
- (b) for a Muhammadan, European or Anglo-Indian constituency according as he is a Muhammadan, European or Anglo-Indian:

Provided that such person possesses the further qualifications hereinafter prescribed for an elector of the particular constituency.

3. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Schedule, a person shall be qualified as an elector for an urban or rural constituency, other than a Calcutta constituency, who has a place of residence in the constituency and who—

- (1) has paid, during and in respect of the previous year or, as the case may be, during and in respect of the Bengali year preceding that in which the electoral roll for the time being under preparation is first published under these rules,—
- (a) in the municipalities of Howrah or Cossipore-Chitpur, municipal taxes or fees of not less than Rs. 3 or in any other municipal or cantonment area, municipal or cantonment taxes or fees of not less than Re. 1-8, or
- (b) road and public works cesses under the Cess Act, 1880, of not less than Re. 1, or
- (c) chaukidari tax under the Village-Chaukidari Act, 1870, or union rate under the Bengal Village Self-Government Act, 1919, of not less than Rs. 2, or
- (d) income-tax; or

- (2) is a retired, pensioned or discharged officer, non-commissioned officer or soldier of His Majesty's regular forces.

4. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Schedule, a person shall be qualified as an elector for a Calcutta constituency, who has a place of residence in Calcutta as defined in section 3 (7) of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1899, and who—

- 1) during the previous year—

- (i) was entered in the municipal assessment book as—

- (a) the owner and occupier of some land or building in Calcutta separately numbered and valued for assessment purposes at not less than Rs. 150 per annum, or

(b) the owner or occupier of some land or building in Calcutta separately numbered and valued for assessment purposes at not less than Rs. 300 per annum:

provided that no person shall be qualified in virtue of any of the above qualifications unless the owner and occupier's share, or the owner's or occupier's share as the case may be of the consolidated rate on such land or building for the aforesaid year has been paid during that year; or

(ii) has paid in respect of that year on his sole account and in his own name not less than Rs. 24 either in respect of the consolidated rate levied under Chapter XII, or in respect of the taxes levied under Chapter XIII, or in respect of the taxes levied under Chapter XIV, of the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1899: provided that if any payment has been made in respect of the consolidated rate, a person shall be qualified only if his name is entered in the municipal assessment book in respect of the payment; or

(iii) has paid income-tax in respect of that year; or

(2) is a retired, pensioned or discharged officer, non-commissioned officer or soldier of His Majesty's regular forces.

5. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 2 of this schedule, a person shall be qualified as an elector for a European constituency who has a place of residence in the constituency and has any of the qualifications prescribed for an elector of any urban or rural constituency included in the area of such European constituency.

6. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 2 of this Schedule, a person shall be qualified as an elector in the Anglo-Indian constituency who has a place of residence in Bengal and has any of the qualifications prescribed for an elector of any urban or rural constituency.

7. Where property is held or payments are made jointly by the members of a joint family, the family shall be adopted as the unit for deciding whether under this Schedule the requisite qualification exists; and, if it does exist, the person qualified shall be the manager of the family.

8. A person shall not be qualified as an elector for a general constituency by virtue of any property held or payment made as a trustee, administrator, receiver or guardian or in any other fiduciary capacity.

Special Constituencies.

9. A person shall be qualified as an elector for a Landholders' constituency who has a place of residence in the constituency and who during the previous year—

(a) in the case of the Burdwan Landholders' and Presidency Landholders' constituencies, held in his own right as a proprietor one or more estates or shares of estates and paid in respect thereof land revenue amounting to not less than Rs. 4,500, or road and public works cesses amounting to not less than Rs. 1,125, or

(b) in the case of the Dacca Landholders', the Rajshahi Landholders', and the Chittagong Landholders' constituencies, held in his own right as a proprietor one or more estates or shares of estates, or one or more permanent tenures or shares of such tenures held direct from such a proprietor, and paid in respect thereof land-revenue amounting to not less than Rs. 3,000 or road and public works cesses amounting to not less than Rs. 750.

10. In determining the qualification of a person as an elector for a
Determination of qualification. Landholders' constituency—

- (a) only such estates and shares of estates and only such permanent tenures and shares of permanent tenures as are not within the district of Darjeeling or the Chittagong Hill Tracts shall be taken into account;
- (b) only such estates and shares of estates as are held by him in his own right and not in a fiduciary capacity and are registered in his own name in the registers maintained under the Land Registration Act, 1876, shall be taken into account;
- (c) only such permanent tenures and shares of permanent tenures as are held by him (as owner) in his own right and not in a fiduciary capacity shall be taken into account;
- (d) only land revenue or road and public works cesses payable in respect of his own personal share shall be taken into account;
- (e) if a landholder pays land revenue or cesses in two or more constituencies and his payments in no one of these constituencies reach the amount prescribed for that constituency, and if his payments in all the constituencies, when aggregated, are not less than the amount prescribed for one of these constituencies in which he has a place of residence and pays land revenue or cesses, he shall be qualified as an elector for that constituency or, if there is more than one such constituency, for the constituency in which he makes the largest payment;
- (f) if the amount of land-revenue or road and public works cesses paid by a landholder in respect of any share of an estate, or permanent tenure is not definitely known, the District Officer of the district in which such estate or tenure is situated shall estimate the amount paid in respect of such share, and his decision shall be final.

Explanation.—A *mutwalli* or manager of a *wakf* estate shall be deemed to hold such estate in his own right, but a trustee or manager of an estate other than a *wakf* estate shall not be so deemed.

11. A person shall be qualified as an elector for the Calcutta University constituency who has a place of residence in Bengal and is a member of the Senate or an Honorary Fellow of the University, or a graduate of the University of not less than seven years' standing.

12. (1) Chamber members of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce and permanent members of the Indian Jute Mills Association and of the Indian Tea Association, and of the Indian Mining Association shall be qualified respectively as electors for the constituency comprising the Chamber or Association of which they are such members: provided that no person shall be so qualified who has not a place of residence in India.

Explanation.—"Chamber member" and "permanent member" include any person entitled to exercise the rights and privileges of Chamber membership or permanent membership, as the case may be, on behalf of any firm, company or other corporation registered as such member.

(2) Members of the Calcutta Trades Association, life and ordinary members of the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce, life and ordinary members of the Bengal Mahajan Sabha, and life, ordinary and mufassal members of the Marwari Association, Calcutta, shall be qualified respectively as electors for the constituency comprising the Association, Chamber or Sabha of which they are such members: provided that no person shall be so qualified who has not a place of residence in India.

Explanation.—"Member," "life member," "ordinary member" and "mufassal member" include—

- (a) in the case of a firm, any one partner in the firm, or, if no such partner is present in Calcutta at the date fixed for the election, any one person empowered to sign for such firm, and
- (b) in the case of a company or other corporation any one manager, director or secretary of the company or corporation.

SCHEDULE III.

(See rule 17.)

Return of election expenses.

1. Under the head of receipts there shall be shown the name and description of every person (including the candidate), club, society or association from whom any money, security or equivalent of money was received in respect of expenses incurred on account of, or in connection with, or incidental to, the election, and the amount received from each person, club, society or association separately.

2. Under the head of expenditure, there shall be shewn :—

- (a) the personal expenditure of the candidate incurred or paid by him or his election agent, including travelling and all other personal expenses incurred in connection with his candidature ;
- (b) the name, and the rate and total amount of the pay, of each person employed as an agent (including the election agent), clerk or messenger ;
- (c) the travelling expenses and any other expenses incurred by the candidate or his election agent on account of agents (including the election agent), clerks or messengers ;
- (d) the travelling expenses of persons, whether in receipt of salary or not, incurred in connection with the candidature, and whether paid or incurred by the candidate, his election agent or the person so travelling ;
- (e) the cost whether paid or incurred of—
 - (i) printing,
 - (ii) advertising,
 - (iii) stationery,
 - (iv) postage,
 - (v) telegrams, and
 - (vi) rooms hired either for public meetings or as committee rooms ;
- (f) any other miscellaneous expenses whether paid or incurred.

NOTE.—(1) All expenses incurred in connection with the candidature, whether paid by the candidate, his election agent, or any other person, or remaining unpaid on the date of the return are to be set out.

(2) For all items of Rs. 5 and over, unless from the nature of the case (*e.g.*, travel by rail or postage) a receipt is not obtainable, vouchers are to be attached.

(3) All sums paid but for which no receipt is attached are to be set out in detail with dates of payment.

(4) All sums unpaid are to be set out in a separate list.

3. The form of affidavit referred to in rule 17 shall be as follows :—

Affidavit.

I _____ being the appointed election agent for _____ a candidate for election in the _____ constituency (or I _____ being a candidate for election in the _____ constituency), do hereby solemnly affirm that the above return of election expenses is true to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that, except the expenses herein set forth, no expenses of any nature whatsoever have to my knowledge and belief been incurred in, and for the purposes of, _____
my candidature

(Sd.)

Election agent or candidate.

Solemnly affirmed before me.

(Magistrate.)

SCHEDULE IV.

(See rules 5, 7, 18, 20, 31, 42 and 45.)

The following shall be deemed to be corrupt practices for the purposes of these rules :—

PART I.

1. A gift, offer or promise by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, of any gratifications to any person whomsoever, with the object, directly or indirectly, of inducing—

(a) a person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw from being, a candidate, or

(b) an elector to vote or refrain from voting at an election,

or as a reward to—

(a) a person for having so stood or not stood or for having withdrawn his candidature, or

(b) an elector for having voted or refrained from voting.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this clause the term “gratification” is not restricted to pecuniary gratifications or gratifications estimable in money, and includes all forms of entertainment and all forms of employment for reward; but it does not include the payment of any expenses *bona fide* incurred at or for the purposes of any election and duly entered in the return of election expenses prescribed by these rules.

2. (1) Any direct or indirect interference or attempt to interfere on the part of a candidate or his agent, or of any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, by any of the means hereafter specified, with the right of any person to stand or not to stand or to withdraw from standing as a candidate, or with the free exercise of the franchise of an elector.

(2) The means above alluded to are—

(a) any violence, injury, restraint, or fraud and any threat thereof;

(b) any threat to a person or inducement to a person to believe that he or any person in whom he is interested will become or be rendered an object of divine displeasure or spiritual censure;

but do not include any declaration of public policy or promise of public action.

3. The procuring or abetting or attempting to procure by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of a candidate or his agent, the application by a person for a voting paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead, or in a fictitious name, or by a person who has voted once at an election for a voting paper in his own name at the same election.

4. The publication by a candidate or his agent, or by any other person with the connivance of the candidate or his agent, of any statement of fact which is false and which he either believes to be false or does not believe to be true in relation to the personal character or conduct of any candidate or in relation to the candidature or withdrawal of any candidate, which statement is reasonably calculated to prejudice such candidate's election.

5. The incurring or authorizing by a candidate or his agent of expenditure or the employment of any person by a candidate or his agent in contravention of the provisions of any notification of the Governor-General in Council issued under rule 18 of these rules.

PART II.

1. Any act specified in Part I, when done by a person who is not a candidate or his agent or person acting with the connivance of a candidate or his agent.

2. The application by a person at an election for a voting paper in the name of any other person, whether living or dead, or in a fictitious name, or for a voting paper in his own name after he has already voted at such election.

3. The receipt of, or agreement to receive, any gratification, whether as a motive or a reward,—

(a) by a person to stand or not to stand as, or to withdraw from being, a candidate; or

(b) by any person whomsoever for himself or any other person for voting or refraining from voting, or for inducing or attempting to induce any elector to vote or refrain from voting or any candidate to withdraw his candidature.

4. Any payment or promise of payment to any person whomsoever on account of the conveyance of any elector to or from any place for the purpose of recording his vote.

5. The hiring, employment, borrowing or using for the purposes of the election of any boat, vehicle or animal usually kept for letting on hire or for the conveyance of passengers by hire:

Provided that any elector may hire any boat, vehicle or animal, or use any boat, vehicle or animal which is his own property, to convey himself to or from the place where the vote is recorded.

6. The incurring or authorisation of expenses by any person other than a candidate or his election agent on account of holding any public meeting or upon any advertisement, circular or publication or in any other way whatsoever for the purpose of promoting or procuring the election of such candidate, unless he is authorised in writing so to do by the candidate.

7. The hiring, using or letting, as a committee-room or for the purpose of any meeting to which electors are admitted, of any building, room or other place where intoxicating liquor is sold to the public.

8. The issuing of any circular, placard or poster having reference to the election which does not bear on its face the name and address of the printer and publisher thereof.

S. P. O'DONNELL,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

The following notifications, issued by the Government of India in the Legislative Department, published in the *Gazette of India, Extraordinary*, dated the 29th July 1920, are republished for general information.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATIONS.

Simla, the 27th July, 1920.

No. 82.—In pursuance of sub-rule (2) of rule 25 of the Legislative Assembly Electoral Rules, the Governor General is pleased to call upon the constituencies of the Legislative Assembly specified in the first column of the appended schedule to elect members in accordance with the said rules before such dates respectively as are specified in the corresponding entry in the second column thereof :—

SCHEDULE.

Column I.	Column II.
All constituencies of the Provinces of Madras, Bombay, the United Provinces, Bihar and Orissa, the Central Provinces, Burma and Delhi.	The 15th day of December 1920.
All constituencies of the Provinces of the Punjab and Assam.	The 23rd day of December 1920.
All constituencies of the Province of Bengal	The 31st day of December 1920.

No. 83.—In pursuance of sub-rule (2) of rule 25 of the Council of State Electoral Rules, the Governor General is pleased to call upon the constituencies of the Council of State specified in the first column of the appended schedule to elect members in accordance with the said rules before such dates respectively as are specified in the corresponding entry in the second column thereof :—

SCHEDULE.

Column I.	Column II.
All constituencies of the Provinces of Madras, Bombay, the United Provinces, Bihar and Orissa, the Central Provinces and Burma.	The 15th day of December 1920.
All constituencies of the Provinces of the Punjab and Assam.	The 23rd day of December 1920.
All constituencies of the Province of Bengal	The 31st day of December 1920.

A. P. MUDDIMAN,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1640 A.R.—*The 6th August 1920.*—In exercise of the powers conferred by rule 9 (2), the proviso to rule 12 (5) and rule 13 of the Bengal Electoral Rules the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following regulations for the election of members of the Bengal Legislative Council :—

Regulations for the election of members of the Bengal Legislative Council.

Definitions.

I. In these regulations, which may be called the Bengal Electoral Regulations,—

(1) "Returning officer" means such officer as the local Government may, by notification in the local official Gazette, appoint to perform all or any of the duties of the returning officer under these regulations, and includes any officer deputed for the time being by the returning officer, by an order in writing, to perform his duties.

(2) "Revising authority" means such officer as the local Government may, by notification in the local official Gazette, appoint to perform all or any of the duties of the revising authority under these regulations.

A separate revising authority may be appointed for one or more electoral areas, or for the whole of a constituency.

(3) "Attesting officer" means such officer as the local Government may, by notification in the local official Gazette, appoint to perform all or any of the duties of the attesting officer under these regulations, and includes any officer deputed for the time being to perform his duties by the attesting officer, by an order in writing, of which a copy shall be sent to the returning officer.

Preparation of electoral roll.

II. The electoral roll for every constituency specified below shall be prepared by the authority (hereinafter referred to as the "registering authority") noted against each :—

- (1) a Calcutta constituency, by the Chairman of the Calcutta Corporation ;
- (2) a general constituency, other than a Calcutta constituency :—
 - (a) when it comprises a single district, or part of a district, by the Magistrate of that district ;
 - (b) when it comprises a single division, or part of a division extending over more than one district, by the Commissioner of that division ;
 - (c) when it comprises the whole or part of more than one division, by such officer as the local Government may, by notification in the local official Gazette, appoint ;
- (3) a landholders' constituency, by the Commissioner of the division ;
- (4) a University constituency, by the Registrar of the University ;
- (5) a commerce and industry constituency, by such officer as the local Government may, by notification in the local official Gazette, appoint.

III. For the purpose of preparing the electoral roll the registering authority may employ such agency as he thinks fit.

IV. The electoral roll of each constituency shall be prepared in such form and in such language as may be prescribed by the local Government.

V. The registering authority may divide a constituency into electoral areas for the purpose of facilitating the preparation of the electoral roll, and so much of the roll as relates to an electoral area may be separately prepared.

VI. The electoral roll of every constituency specified below shall be published by the registering authority in the manner noted under each :—

- (1) a Muhammadan or non-Muhammadan rural constituency :—
 - (a) so much of the roll as relates to each chaukidari union at the office of the panchayat,
 - (b) so much of the roll as relates to each municipality at the municipal office,
 - (c) a complete copy of the roll at a convenient place within the constituency;
- (2) a Muhammadan or non-Muhammadan urban constituency :—
 - (a) so much of the roll as relates to each municipality or cantonment at the municipal or cantonment office,
 - (b) a complete copy of the roll at a convenient place within the constituency;
- (3) a Landholders', European or Anglo-Indian constituency :—
 - (a) so much of the roll as relates to each district at the office of the Magistrate of the district,
 - (b) so much of the roll as relates to Calcutta at the office of the Chairman, Calcutta Corporation,
 - (c) a complete copy of the roll at the office of the registering authority;
- (4) a University or Commerce and Industry constituency :—
 - a complete copy of the roll at the office of the registering authority.

VII. A notice shall be published, together with the electoral roll when published under regulation VI, specifying for each electoral area the revising authority to whom, the place at which, and the period referred to in regulation VIII within which claims for being included in the electoral roll, or objections to any names entered in the roll are to be preferred.

VIII. All such claims and objections to the roll shall be made in writing within fifteen days from the publication of the roll under regulation VI, and where objection is made to the inclusion in the roll of any person whose name appears therein, shall give in respect of such person all the particulars entered in the roll.

IX. The revising authority shall not entertain any claim or objection received by him after the time referred to in regulation VIII.

X. Every person whose claim or objection is received in time shall be served with a notice by the revising authority specifying the place where and the time when his claim or objection will be heard, and directing him to be present with such evidence as he may wish to adduce.

XI. When objection is made by any person whose name is on the roll to the inclusion of the name of any other person recorded therein, the revising authority shall serve on such other person a notice giving the grounds on which the inclusion of his name has been objected to, and requiring him to attend with such evidence as he may wish to adduce at the place and time fixed for the hearing of the objection.

XII. Every notice issued by the revising authority shall, if possible, be served personally, and, in default of personal service, shall be served by affixing a copy thereof at the residence within the constituency of the person concerned, and a certificate of service, either personal or otherwise, shall be deemed to be conclusive proof of the fact of such service.

XIII. At the time fixed for the hearing, the revising authority shall hold a summary inquiry into the claim or objection preferred, and shall record his decision. For the purpose of the inquiry the roll as published under regulation VI shall be presumed to be correct and complete until the contrary has been proved.

XIV. The decision of the revising authority shall be communicated by him to the registering authority, who shall cause the roll to be altered in accordance therewith.

XV. The electoral roll so altered shall be published in the manner prescribed in regulation VI, and provision may be made for the sale of copies of the roll to the public.

Nomination of candidates.

XVI. The local Government shall appoint, and shall notify in such manner as it thinks fit, the date by which nomination papers for any constituency, or class of constituency, shall reach the returning officer. Nomination papers which are not received by the returning officer by the date so appointed shall be rejected.

XVII. (1) Nomination shall be made by means of a nomination paper in Form I annexed to these regulations, which shall be supplied by the returning officer to any elector of the constituency concerned who may apply for the same.

(2) Every nomination paper shall be subscribed by two such electors as proposer and seconder, and shall be signed by the candidate as assenting to the nomination.

(3) The same elector may subscribe as many nomination papers as there are vacancies to be filled. Each candidate shall be nominated by a separate nomination paper.

(4) Every nomination paper shall be presented for attestation before an attesting officer.

XVIII. (1) A candidate who has been duly nominated for election may withdraw his candidature by a written and signed communication delivered to the returning officer not less than twenty-one clear days before the date fixed for the recording of votes; or, if the period between the dates fixed for the scrutiny of nomination papers and the recording of votes is less than twenty-one clear days, not later than the date fixed for such scrutiny.

XIX. (1) The returning officer shall appoint and notify, in such manner as he thinks fit, a date, time, and place for the scrutiny of nomination papers.

(2) On the date, and at the time and place so appointed, every candidate and his proposer and seconder may attend, and the returning officer shall allow them to examine the nomination papers of all candidates which have been received by him as aforesaid.

(3) The returning officer shall then examine the nomination papers, and shall decide all objections which may be made to any nomination paper on the ground that it is not valid under regulation XVII, and may reject either of his own motion, or on such objection, any nomination paper on such ground. The decision of the returning officer shall in every case be endorsed by him on the nomination paper in respect of which such decision is given.

Elections.

XX. The returning officer may divide any general constituency into as many polling areas as he thinks fit, and shall appoint polling stations for such areas. He shall also appoint an officer, hereinafter referred to as the presiding officer, to preside at each such polling station.

XXI. The local Government shall appoint, and shall notify in such manner as it thinks fit, the date on which and the hours within which the votes in any constituency or class of constituency shall be recorded.

XXII. The presiding officer shall keep order at the polling station, shall see that the election is fairly conducted, shall regulate the number of electors to be admitted at one time, and shall exclude all other persons except his clerks, the candidates, or any agent whom any candidate may have appointed in writing to appear in his stead at the polling station, the police on duty, and such persons as may be admitted for the purpose of identifying the electors. The presiding officer shall close the polling station at the second hour appointed by the local Government

under regulation XXI, so as to prevent the admission thereto of any voter after that hour, but all voters present at the polling station before it is so closed shall be entitled to have their votes recorded.

XXIII. The returning officer shall provide for each presiding officer such number of clerks as he may consider desirable, and shall supply to him a copy of the electoral roll for his polling area, together with a list of the nominations and such other papers and forms as may be necessary.

XXIV. The ballot paper shall contain the names of the candidates arranged alphabetically in the order of their surnames, and if there are two or more candidates with the same surname, in the order of their other names. It shall be in the form set out in Form II annexed to these regulations, or as near thereto as circumstances admit, and shall be capable of being folded up.

XXV. The ballot box shall be so constructed that the ballot papers can be introduced therein but cannot be withdrawn therefrom without unlocking the box. Immediately before the commencement of the poll the presiding officer shall show the ballot box empty to such persons as may be present at the polling station, and shall then lock it up and place a seal upon it in such manner as to prevent its being opened without breaking such seal, and shall place it in his view for the receipt of ballot papers and keep it so locked and sealed.

XXVI. (1) When a person presents himself to vote, but not afterwards, the presiding officer, or any clerk appointed to check the voters by reference to the electoral rolls, may of his own accord and shall, if so required by a candidate or his agent, put to the person either or both of the following questions:—

- (a) Are you the person enrolled as follows (reading the whole entry from the roll)?
- (b) Have you already voted at the present election?

(2) The vote of the person required to answer either of these questions shall not be given until he has answered.

XXVII. Immediately before a ballot paper is delivered to an elector, it shall be marked by the presiding officer on both sides with the official mark, and the number, name, and description of the elector, as stated in the electoral roll, shall be called out. The number of such elector in the electoral roll shall be marked on the counterfoil of the ballot paper, and a mark shall be placed in the electoral roll against the number of the elector to denote that he has received a ballot paper, but without showing the particular ballot paper which he has received.

XXVIII. The elector on receiving the ballot paper shall forthwith proceed to the place set apart for the purpose, and there mark a cross against the name of the candidate or candidates for whom he intends to vote. He shall then fold the ballot paper so as to conceal his vote and shall put the ballot paper, so folded up, into the ballot box. He shall vote without undue delay, and shall quit the polling station as soon as he has put the ballot paper into the ballot box.

XXIX. If the voter is unable to read the ballot paper, or to make a cross thereon, the presiding officer shall mark the vote on a ballot-paper according to the direction of the voter. The voter shall then put the ballot paper folded up into the ballot box.

XXX. Any ballot paper which is not duly marked, or on which more than one cross is placed against any candidate's name, or on which votes

are given to more candidates than there are members to be elected, or on which a cross (or mark) is placed in such manner as to make it doubtful to which candidate it has been given, or on which any mark is made by which the voter may afterwards be identified, shall be invalid.

XXXI. If a person representing himself to be a particular elector named on the electoral roll applies for a ballot paper after another person has voted as such elector, the applicant shall, after duly answering such questions as the presiding officer may ask, be entitled to mark a ballot paper in the same manner as any other voter. Such ballot paper (called in these rules a "tendered ballot paper") shall be of a colour different from the other ballot papers, and, instead of being put into the ballot box, shall be given to the presiding officer and endorsed by him with the name of the voter and his number on the electoral roll, and set aside in a separate packet, and shall not be counted by the returning officer. The name of the voter and his number in the electoral roll shall be entered in a list in Form III annexed to these regulations, which shall bear the heading "Tendered votes list", and his thumb impression shall be taken against the entry in that list.

XXXII. If an objection to the right to vote of any person presenting himself to vote is made by any candidate, or his agent, on the ground of personation, the presiding officer shall decide on the validity of the objection. If the right to vote is allowed, the vote shall be recorded, provided that if the objecting candidate or his agent requires it, the presiding officer shall take the thumb impression of the voter on the back of the ballot paper before the vote is recorded. If the right to vote is disallowed the procedure in regulation XXXI shall be followed.

XXXIII. The presiding officer of each polling station, as soon as practicable after the close of the poll, shall, in the presence of the candidates, or their agents, make up into separate packets and seal with his own seal and the seal of such candidates or their agents as may desire to affix their seal—

- (1) each ballot box in use at each station unopened, but with the key attached ;
- (2) the unused ballot papers ;
- (3) the tendered ballot papers ;
- (4) the marked copies of the electoral roll ;
- (5) the counterfoils of the ballot papers : and
- (6) the tendered votes list.

XXXIV. The packets shall be forwarded by the presiding officer to the returning officer accompanied by a statement showing the number of ballot papers entrusted to him and accounting for them under the heads of "Ballot papers in the ballot box", "Tendered ballot papers," and "Unused ballot papers."

XXXV. (1) On the receipt of all the packets above referred to from all the polling stations, the returning officer shall appoint a date for the counting of votes, and shall give notice thereof to the candidates.

(2) On the day appointed the returning officer shall—

(a) open the ballot box, and after scrutiny separate the ballot papers which he deems valid from those which he rejects, endorsing on the latter the word "Rejected" and the ground of rejection ;

(b) count, or cause to be counted, the votes given to each candidate, and declare those candidates who have obtained the largest number of valid votes to be elected ;

(c) upon the completion of the counting—

- (1) verify the ballot paper account given by each presiding officer under regulation XXXIV, by comparing it with the number of ballot papers found by him in the ballot box, the unused ballot papers, and the tendered votes list. The sealed packets of the tendered ballot papers, of the marked copies of the roll, and of the counterfoils of the ballot papers shall not be opened;
- (2) seal up in separate packets the counted and rejected ballot papers, and reseal each sealed packet that has been opened, and record on each such packet a description of its contents, and the date of the election to which it refers;

(d) prepare and certify a return setting forth—

- (1) the result of the verification referred to in the preceding clause,
- (2) the names of the persons for whom valid votes were given,
- (3) the number of valid votes given for each person,
- (4) the names of the persons elected,
- (5) the number of votes declared invalid, and
- (6) the number of tendered votes given;

(e) permit any candidate, or his agent to take a copy of or an extract from the return.

XXXVI. The returning officer shall, after reporting the result, forward the return and the packets referred to to the Secretary to the Legislative Council.

XXXVII. While in the custody of the Secretary to the Legislative Council, the packets of ballot papers, whether counted, rejected, or tendered, and of the counterfoils thereof, shall not be opened, and their contents shall not be inspected, or produced, except under the orders of a competent court or of election Commissioners. All other documents in such custody shall be open to public inspection.

XXXVIII. The Secretary to the Legislative Council shall retain the packets for a year, and shall then, unless otherwise directed by the orders of an election Court, cause them to be destroyed.

Special Regulations applicable to University, and Commerce and Industry constituencies.

XXXIX. In the case of an election for a University or Commerce and Industry constituency regulations XX, XXII, XXIII, XXIV, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIV, and XXXV shall not be applicable, and the following regulations shall be substituted therefor and shall apply.

XL. On or before the date fixed in this behalf by the local Government the returning officer shall send by registered post to each elector a ballot paper together with an intimation of the date appointed by him for the counting of votes, and shall enter on the counterfoil of each ballot paper the name of the elector to whom the ballot paper is sent.

The ballot paper together with such intimation shall be sent to the address of the elector as shown in the electoral roll, or in the case of a commerce and industry constituency, to the latest known address of the elector as registered in the office of the Chamber, Association or Sabha comprising the constituency.

The form of the ballot paper, in the case of a commerce and industry constituency, shall be in Form IV annexed to these regulations, and, in the case of a University constituency, in Form V annexed to these regulations.

*XLI. In the case of a University constituency an elector shall obtain the attestation of his signature, but not of his vote, by a magistrate, judge, subordinate judge, munsif, fellow of the University, or principal of a college affiliated to the University, to whom he is personally known, or to whose satisfaction he has been identified.

XLII. Any elector may send his ballot paper to the returning officer after recording his vote thereon: provided that voting papers which are not received by the returning officer before the date fixed for the counting of the votes shall be rejected.

XLIII. Any ballot paper which is not duly marked, or on which more than one cross is placed against any candidate's name, or on which votes are given to more candidates than there are members to be elected, or on which a cross (or mark) is placed in such a manner as to make it doubtful to which candidate it has been given, or, in the case of a University constituency, on which the signature of the elector is not duly attested, shall be invalid.

XLIV. On the day appointed for the counting of the votes, the returning officer shall—

- (a) after scrutiny, separate the ballot papers which he deems valid from those which he rejects, endorsing on the latter the word "Rejected" and the ground of rejection;
- (b) count, or cause to be counted, the votes given to each candidate, and declare those candidates who have obtained the largest number of valid votes to be elected;
- (c) upon the completion of the counting seal up in separate packets the counted and rejected ballot papers and prepare and certify a return setting forth—
 - (1) the names of the persons for whom valid votes were given;
 - (2) the number of valid votes given for each candidate;
 - (3) the names of the persons elected;
 - (4) the number of votes declared invalid;
- (d) permit any candidate or his agent to take a copy of or an extract from the return.

XLV. The local Government shall appoint and notify, in such manner as it thinks fit, the date referred to in regulation XL for sending ballot papers to electors.

Special Regulations applicable to Landholders' constituencies.

XLVI. In the case of an election for a landholders' constituency regulations XX, XXII, XXIII, XXIV, XXV, XXVI, XXVII, XXVIII, XXIX, XXX, XXXI, XXXII, XXXIII, XXXIV, and XXXV shall not be applicable, and the following regulations shall be substituted therefor, and shall apply.

XLVII. On or before such date as may be appointed by the local Government in this behalf, the returning officer shall send by registered post to each elector a ballot paper in Form VI annexed to these regulations, together with an intimation of the date appointed by him for the counting of votes, and shall note on the counterfoil of each ballot paper the name of the elector to whom the ballot paper is sent. The ballot paper together with such intimation shall be sent to the address of the elector as shown in the electoral roll.

XLVIII. On or before such date as may be appointed by the local Government in this behalf, but not later than 5 P.M. on that date, each elector desirous of recording his vote shall sign the declaration on the back of the ballot paper in the presence of an attesting officer, and the attesting officer shall thereupon attest his signature.

XLIX. The elector shall then proceed to a place set apart for that purpose by the attesting officer, and there shall record his vote on the ballot paper in accordance with the instructions therein, and after placing the ballot paper in an envelope, and closing the same, shall deliver it to the attesting officer.

L. If an elector is unable to read or write, or by reason of some physical defect is incapacitated from recording his vote, the attesting officer shall assist him in such manner as may be necessary to mark the ballot paper and to sign the declaration thereon.

LI. The attesting officer shall, at the close of the day appointed as the latest date for the attestation of ballot papers, despatch all the envelopes so delivered to him to the returning officer by registered post in a packet securely sealed with his official seal, and shall also enclose a list, in Form VII annexed to these regulations, of the electors whose ballot papers he has attested.

LII. A ballot paper that is not duly attested, or marked, or on which more than one cross is placed against any candidate's name or on which votes are given to more candidates than there are members to be elected or on which a cross (or mark) is placed in such a manner as to render it doubtful to which candidate it has been given, shall be invalid.

LIII. On the day appointed for the counting of votes, the returning officer shall fold the lower portion of every ballot paper along the dotted line on the back so as to conceal the names of the elector and of the attesting officer, and shall seal down the portion thus folded with his official seal, and thereafter shall—

- (a) after scrutiny, separate the ballot papers which he deems valid from those which he rejects, endorsing on the latter the word "Rejected" and the ground of rejection;
- (b) count, or cause to be counted, the votes given to each candidate, and declare the election of those candidates who have obtained the largest number of valid votes;
- (c) upon the completion of the counting seal up in separate packets the counted and rejected ballot papers and prepare and certify a return setting forth—
 - (1) the names of the persons for whom the valid votes were given;
 - (2) the number of valid votes given for each candidate;
 - (3) the names of the persons elected;
 - (4) the number of votes declared invalid;
- (d) permit any candidate or his agent to take a copy of or an extract from the return.

LIV. The local Government shall appoint and notify, in such manner as it thinks fit, the date referred to in regulation XLVII for sending ballot papers to electors, and the date referred to in regulation XLVIII for the attestation of ballot papers.

Special Regulations applicable to the Presidency and Burdwan (European) constituency.

LV. In the case of an election for the Presidency and Burdwan (European) constituency regulations XXVIII, XXX, and XXXV (2) shall not be applicable, and the following regulations shall be substituted therefor, and shall apply.

LVI. In the following regulations—

- (1) the expression "continuing candidate" means any candidate not elected and not excluded from the poll;
- (2) the expression "first preference" means the figure "1"; the expression "second preference" means the figure "2"; and the expression "third preference" means the figure "3", set opposite the name of any candidate, and so on;
- (3) the expression "transferable paper" means a ballot paper on which a second or subsequent preference is recorded for a continuing candidate;

(4) the expression "non-transferable paper" means a ballot paper on which no second or subsequent preference is recorded for a continuing candidate:

Provided that a paper shall be deemed to be a non-transferable paper in any case in which—

(a) the names of two or more candidates (whether continuing or not) are marked with the same figure, and are next in order of preference; or

(b) the name of the candidate next in order of preference (whether continuing or not) is marked—

(i) by a figure not following consecutively after some other figure on the ballot paper; or

(ii) by two or more figures;

(5) the expression "original vote" in regard to any candidate means a vote derived from a ballot paper on which a first preference is recorded for that candidate;

(6) the expression "transferred vote" in regard to any candidate means a vote derived from a ballot paper on which a second or subsequent preference is recorded for that candidate;

(7) the expression "surplus" means the number of votes by which the total number of the votes, original and transferred, credited to any candidate, exceeds the quota.

LVII. The ballot paper shall contain the names of the candidates arranged alphabetically in the order of their surnames, and if there are two or more candidates with the same surname, in the order of their other names. It shall be in the form set out in Form VIII annexed to these regulations.

LVIII. (1) Every elector shall have one vote only.

(2) An elector in giving his vote—

(a) must place on his ballot paper the figure 1 in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom he votes;

(b) may in addition place on his ballot paper the figure 2 or the figures 2 and 3, or 2, 3 and 4, and so on, in the squares opposite the names of other candidates in the order of his preference.

LIX. A ballot paper shall be invalid on which—

(a) the figure 1 is not marked; or

(b) the figure 1 is set opposite the name of more than one candidate; or is so placed as to render it doubtful to which candidate it is intended to apply; or

(c) the figure 1 and some other figure are set opposite the name of the same candidate;

(d) any mark is made by which the voter may afterwards be identified.

LX. On the day appointed under regulation XXXV(1) for the counting of votes, the returning officer shall open the ballot-box, and, after scrutiny, separate the ballot papers which he deems valid from those which he rejects, endorsing on the latter the word "Rejected" and the ground of rejection, and after rejecting any that are invalid, shall arrange the remainder in parcels according to the first preferences recorded for each candidate.

LXI. The returning officer shall then count the number of papers in each parcel, and credit each candidate with one vote in respect of each valid paper on which a first preference has been recorded for him, and he shall ascertain the total number of valid papers.

LXII. The returning officer shall then divide the total number of valid papers by a number exceeding by one the number of vacancies to be filled, and the result increased by one, disregarding any fractional remainder, shall be the number of votes sufficient to secure the return of a candidate (hereinafter called the "quota").

LXIII. If at any time the number of votes credited to a candidate is equal to or greater than the quota, that candidate shall be declared elected.

LXIV. (1) If at any time the number of votes credited to a candidate is greater than the quota, the surplus shall be transferred in accordance with the provisions of this regulation to the continuing candidates indicated on the ballot papers in the parcel of the elected candidate as being next in order of the voters' preference.

(2) (a) If the votes credited to an elected candidate consist of original votes only, the returning officer shall examine all the papers in the parcel of the elected candidate whose surplus is to be transferred, and shall arrange the transferable papers in sub-parcels according to the next preferences recorded thereon.

(b) If the votes credited to an elected candidate consist of original and transferred votes, or of transferred votes only, the returning officer shall examine the papers contained in the sub-parcel last received by the elected candidate and shall arrange the transferable papers therein in further sub-parcels according to the next preferences recorded thereon.

(c) In either case the returning officer shall make a separate sub-parcel of the non-transferable papers and shall ascertain the number of papers in each sub-parcel of transferable papers and in the sub-parcel of non-transferable papers.

(3) If the total number of papers in the sub-parcels of transferable papers is equal to or less than the surplus the returning officer shall transfer each sub-parcel of transferable papers to the continuing candidate indicated thereon as the voters' next preference.

(4) (a) If the total number of transferable papers is greater than the surplus, the returning officer shall transfer from each sub-parcel the number of papers which bears the same proportion to the number of papers in the sub-parcel as the surplus bears to the total number of transferable papers.

(b) The number of papers to be transferred from each sub-parcel shall be ascertained by multiplying the number of papers in the sub-parcel by the surplus and dividing the result by the total number of transferable papers. A note shall be made of the fractional parts, if any, of each number so ascertained.

(c) If, owing to the existence of such fractional parts, the number of papers to be transferred is less than the surplus, so many of these fractional parts taken in the order of their magnitude, beginning with the largest as are necessary to make the total number of papers to be transferred equal to the surplus, shall be reckoned as of the value of unity, and the remaining fractional parts shall be ignored.

(d) The particular papers to be transferred from each sub-parcel shall be those last filed in the sub-parcel.

(e) Each paper transferred shall be marked in such a manner as to indicate the candidate from and to whom the transfer is made.

(5) (a) If more than one candidate has a surplus, the largest surplus shall be first dealt with.

(b) If two or more candidates have each the same surplus, regard shall be had to the number of original votes obtained by each candidate, and the surplus of the candidate credited with the largest number of original votes shall be first dealt with, and, if the numbers of the original votes are equal, the returning officer shall decide which surplus he will first deal with.

(c) The returning officer need not transfer the surplus of an elected candidate when that surplus together with any other surplus not transferred does not exceed the difference between the totals of the votes credited to the two continuing candidates lowest on the poll.

LXV. (1) If at any time no candidate has a surplus (or when under the preceding rule any existing surplus need not be transferred) and one or more vacancies remain unfilled the returning officer shall exclude from the poll the candidate credited with the lowest number of votes, and shall examine all the papers of that candidate, and shall arrange the transferable papers in sub-parcels according to the next preferences recorded thereon for continuing candidates and shall transfer each sub-parcel to the candidate for whom that preference is recorded.

(2) If the total of the votes of the two or more candidates lowest on the poll, together with any surplus votes not transferred, is less than the votes credited to the next highest candidate, the returning officer may in one operation exclude those candidates from the poll and transfer their votes in accordance with the preceding regulation.

(3) If, when a candidate has to be excluded under this regulation, two or more candidates have each the same number of votes and are lowest on the poll, regard shall be had to the number of original votes credited to each of those candidates, and the candidate with fewest original votes shall be excluded, and, where the numbers of the original votes are equal, regard shall be had to the total number of votes credited to those candidates at the first transfer at which they had an unequal number of votes, and the candidate with the lowest number of votes at that transfer shall be excluded, and, where the numbers of votes credited to those candidates were equal at all transfers, the returning officer shall decide which shall be excluded.

LXVI. (1) Whenever any transfer is made under any of the preceding regulations, each sub-parcel of papers transferred shall be added to the parcel, if any, of papers of the candidate to whom the transfer is made, and that candidate shall be credited with one vote in respect of each paper transferred. Such papers as are not transferred shall be set aside as finally dealt with, and the votes given thereon shall thenceforth not be taken into account.

(2) If after any transfer a candidate has a surplus, that surplus shall be dealt with in accordance with and subject to the provisions contained in regulation LXIV before any other candidate is excluded.

LXVII. (1) When the number of continuing candidates is reduced to the number of vacancies remaining unfilled, the continuing candidates shall be declared elected.

(2) When only one vacancy remains unfilled, and the votes of some one continuing candidate exceed the total of all the votes of the other continuing candidates, together with any surplus not transferred, that candidate shall be declared elected.

(3) When the last vacancies can be filled under this regulation, no further transfer of votes need be made.

LXVIII. Any candidate or his duly authorized representative in his absence may, at any time during the counting of the votes, either before the commencement or after the completion of any transfer of votes (whether surplus or otherwise), request the returning officer to re-examine and recount the papers of all or any candidates (not being papers set aside at any previous transfer as finally dealt with), and the returning officer shall forthwith re-examine and recount the same accordingly. The returning officer may also at his discretion recount votes either once or more often in any case in which he is not satisfied as to the accuracy of any previous count:

Provided that nothing herein shall make it obligatory on the returning officer to recount the same votes more than once.

LXIX. Upon the completion of the counting the returning officer shall—

(a) (1) verify the ballot paper account given by each presiding officer under regulation XXXIV, by comparing it with the number of ballot papers found by him in the ballot box, the unused ballot papers, and the tendered votes list. The sealed packets of the tendered ballot papers, of the marked copies of the roll, and of the counterfoils of the ballot papers shall not be opened;

(2) seal up in separate packets the counted and rejected ballot papers, and reseal each sealed packet that has been opened, and record on each such packet a description of its contents, and the date of the election to which it refers;

(b) prepare and certify a return setting forth—

(1) the result of the verification referred to in the preceding clause,

(2) the names of the persons elected, and the number of votes obtained by each,*

(3) the number of votes declared invalid, and

(4) the number of tendered votes given;

(c) permit any candidate or his agent to take a copy of or an extract from the return.

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FORM I.

Nomination paper.

(Regulation XVII.)

1. Name of candidate
2. Father's name
3. Age
4. Address
5. Constituency for which the candidate offers himself
6. Proposer—(a) Number on electoral roll
(b) Signature
7. Secunder—(a) Number on electoral roll
(b) Signature
8. Signature of candidate

Attesting Officer.

Instruction.

Nomination papers which are not received by the returning officer before the
day of 192 , shall be rejected.

Decision of Returning Officer.

FORM II.

Form of Ballot Paper.

(Regulation XXIV.)

Form of front of ballot paper.

Election for Constituency 192 .

Counterfoil
No.

Ballot paper No.

Note.—The number on the counterfoil is to correspond with the number on the ballot paper.

Birendra Datta	...	...
Sailendra Nath Datta		...	
Sasanka Ghosh	...	...
Tarapada Gupta	...	...
Kishori Mohan Sen		...	

Instructions.

1. Not more than one vote may be given to any candidate.
2. Votes may not be given to more candidates than there are members to be elected.
3. Place a cross opposite the name (or names) of the candidate (or candidates) for whom you wish to vote.

FORM IV.

Form of Ballot Paper.

(Regulation XL.)

Election for

Constituency 192

Counterfoil
No

Ballot paper No.

Birendra Datta	...	...
Sailendra Nath Datta		...	
Sasanka Ghosh	...	...
Tarapada Ghosh	...	...
Kishori Mohan Sen		...	

Signature of Elector.

Address—

Instructions.

1. The date appointed for the counting of votes is 192 , and ballot papers must be sent to the returning officer so as to reach him before that date.
2. Not more than one vote may be given to any candidate.
3. Votes may not be given to more candidates than there are members to be elected.
4. Place a cross opposite the name (or names) of the candidate (or candidates) for whom you wish to vote

FORM V.

Form of Ballot paper.

(Regulation XL.)

Election for

Constituency 192

Counterfoil
No.

Ballot paper No.

Birendra Datta	...	...
Sailendra Nath Datta		...	
Sasanka Ghosh	...	...
Tarapada Gupta	...	...
Kishori Mohan Sen		...	

Signature of Elector.

Address—

Signed in my presence by _____ who is personally known
to me (or who has been identified to my satisfaction).

Signature

Designation

Instructions.

1. The date appointed for the counting of votes is _____ 192 , and ballot papers must be sent to the returning officer so as to reach him before that date.
2. Not more than one vote may be given to any candidate.
3. Votes may not be given to more candidates than there are members to be elected.
4. Place a cross opposite the name (or names) of the candidate (or candidates) for whom you wish to vote.

FORM VI.

(Regulation XLVII.)

Election for

Constituency 192

Counterfoil
No.

Ballot paper No.

Birendra Datta	...	...
Sailendra Nath Datta		...	
Sasanka Ghosh	...	...
Tarapada Gupta	...	...
Kishori Mohan Sen		...	

Instructions.

1. Ballot papers shall be presented for attestation, and marked and delivered in an envelope to an attesting officer not later than 5 P.M. on the day of 192 .
2. The date appointed for the counting of votes is the day of 192 .
3. Not more than one vote may be given to any candidate.
4. Votes may not be given to more candidates than there are members to be elected.
5. Place a cross opposite the name (or names) of the candidate (or candidates) for whom you wish to vote.

Decision of Returning Officer.

Form of back of Ballot Paper.

I hereby declare that I am the person whose name appears as No. _____
on the electoral roll of landholders for the _____ constituency.

Elector.

.....
(Fold on this line.)

Signed in my presence by the elector who is personally known to me
(or who has been identified to my satisfaction).

Attesting Officer.

FORM VIII.

Form of Ballot Paper.

(Regulation LVII.)

Election for Presidency and Burdwan European constituency, 1920.

Counterfoil
No.

Ballot paper No.

Names of candidates.		Mark order of preference in spaces below.
Armstrong, Richard	...	
Duncan, Robert	...	
McInnes, Douglas	...	
Robertson, Ivan	...	
Sutcliffe, Christopher	...	
Webster, John	...	

Instructions.

1. Vote by placing the figure 1 in the square opposite the name of the candidate for whom you vote. Though there are more members than one to be elected only place the figure 1 opposite the name of one candidate.
2. As regards the other candidates you may indicate your preference by putting in the square bracket opposite their names the figure of the order in which you would classify them, i.e., 2, 3, 4, etc. You may show your preference in this way irrespective of the number of members to be elected.
3. Do not place more than one figure opposite the name of any candidate.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1642 A.R.—The 7th August 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by rule 5 (1) first proviso, rule 7 (1) first proviso and rule 20 (1) first proviso of the Bengal Electoral Rules, the Governor in Council is pleased to direct as follows, namely:—

1. A subject of any State in India shall not be ineligible for election as a member of the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bengal by reason only of his not being a British subject.
2. A Ruler of any State in India, or a subject of any such State, shall not be disqualified for registration on the electoral roll of a constituency for the election of a member of the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bengal by reason only of his not being a British subject.
3. A subject of any State in India shall not be disqualified for nomination to the Legislative Council of the Governor of Bengal by reason only of his not being a British subject.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1644 A.R.—The 7th August 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) (c) and (5) of Regulation II of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint for each constituency specified below the registering authority noted against each:—

- | | |
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| (1) The Dacca and Chittagong (European) constituency. | Member. Board of Revenue, Bengal. |
| (2) The Presidency and Burdwan (European) constituency. | Ditto. |
| (3) The Anglo-Indian constituency | Ditto. |
| (4) The Calcutta Trades Association constituency. | The Master of the Association. |
| (5) A Commerce and Industry constituency other than the Calcutta Trades Association constituency. | The Secretary of the Chamber, Association or <i>Sabha</i> comprising the constituency. |

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1643 A.R.—The 7th August 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of Regulation I of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the

Governor in Council is pleased to appoint for each constituency specified below the Returning officer noted against each:—

- | | |
|---|--|
| (1) A Calcutta constituency ... | The Chairman of the Calcutta Corporation. |
| (2) A general constituency other than a Calcutta constituency— | |
| (a) when it comprises a single district, or part of a district. | The Magistrate of the district. |
| (b) when it comprises a single division, or part of a division extending over more than one district. | The Commissioner of the division. |
| (3) A landholders' constituency ... | The Commissioner of the division. |
| (4) A University constituency ... | The Registrar of the University. |
| (5) The Calcutta Trades Association constituency. | The Master of the Association. |
| (6) A Commerce and Industry constituency other than the Calcutta Trades Association constituency. | The Secretary of the Chamber, Association or <i>Sabha</i> comprising the constituency. |
| (7) The Dacca and Chittagong (European) constituency. | The Commissioner of the Dacca division. |
| (8) The Presidency and Burdwan (European) constituency. | Mr. H. E. Spry, I.C.S., Addl. Secretary to the Government of Bengal. |
| (9) The Anglo-Indian constituency. | Member, Board of Revenue, Bengal. |

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1648 A.R.—The 7th August 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of Regulation I of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint, for each of the constituencies specified below, the revising authorities noted against each:—

24-Parganas
Municipal,
North
(Muhammadan).
24-Parganas
Municipal,
North (non-
Muhammadan.)

Mr. T. M. Dow, I.C.S., Subdivisional Officer, Barrackpore.
Babu Bisseswar Bhattacharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore, 24-Parganas.
Babu Sashi Bhushan Bhattacharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore, 24-Parganas.
Babu Naba Gauranga Basak, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore, 24-Parganas.
Babu Harish Chandra Sarkar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Barrackpore.
Mr. Sri Gopal Bhattacharji, Additional District Magistrate, 24-Parganas.
Hon'ble Mr. S. K. Sinha, Assistant Magistrate and Collector 24-Parganas.
Rai Priya Lal Gangali Bahadur, Deputy Magistrate, 24-Parganas.
Maulvi Abdus Salik, Deputy Magistrate, 24-Parganas.
Babu Ambica Charan Datta, Deputy Magistrate, 24-Parganas.
Babu Suresh Chandra Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.

24-Parganas
Municipal,
South
(Muhammadan).
24-Parganas
Municipal,
South (Non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Rasik Mohan Bhattacharji, Munsiff, Sealdah.
Babu Mahendra Nath Mukuti, Munsiff, Alipore.
Babu Kshirod Ranjan Dhar, Munsiff, Alipore.
Babu Sirish Chandra De, Munsiff, Baruipore.
Babu Biman Bihari Sarkar, Munsiff, Baraset.
Babu Manmatha Chandra Bose, Munsiff, Basirhat.
Babu Basanta Kumar Roy, Munsiff, Basirhat.
Mr. Nrisinha Ranjan Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Jatindra Nath Mitra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Hem Chandra Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Mr. Praphulla Sankar Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Ashutosh Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Basirhat.
Rai Bahadur Priya Lal Gangali, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Maulvi Abdus Salik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Ambika Charan Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Sealdah.
Babu Suresh Chandra Mitter, Honorary Magistrate, Gobardanga.
Mr. Srigopal Bhattacharji, Additional Magistrate, 24-Parganas.
Hon'ble Mr. S. K. Sinha, I.C.S., Assistant Magistrate, 24-Parganas.
Babu Suresh Chandra Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.

24-Parganas
Rural Central
(non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Braja Durlabh Hajra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Mr. Nrisinha Ranjan Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Jatindra Nath Mitra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Hem Chandra Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Mr. Praphulla Sanker Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Mr. A. P. Peters, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Debendra Nath Bose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Haripada Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Gourendra Krishna Deb, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Ashutosh Roy, Munsiff, Baruipore, 24-Parganas.
Mr. Srigopal Bhattacharji, Additional District Magistrate.
Hon'ble Mr. S. K. Sinha, Assistant Magistrate and Collector, 24-Parganas.
Rai Bahadur Priya Lal Ganguli, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.
Maulvi Abdus Salik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.
Babu Ambika Charan Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.
Babu Suresh Chandra Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.

24-Parganas
Rural North
(non-
Muhammadan).

Mr. Srigopal Bhattacharji, Additional District Magistrate, 24-Parganas.
Babu Kshitish Chandra Chatarji, Munsiff, Baraset.
Babu Manmatha Chandra Bose, Munsiff, Basirhat.
Babu Basanta Kumar Roy, Munsiff, Basirhat.
Babu Manmatha Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Baraset.
Babu Ashutosh Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Basirhat.
Maulvi Azizur Rahman, Sub-Deputy Collector, Baraset.
Babu Hari Das Chatarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Basirhat.
Maulvi Narul Haq, Sub-Deputy Collector, Barrackpore.
Maulvi Abdul Wajid, Sub-Registrar, Habra, Baraset.
Hon'ble Mr. S. K. Sinha, Assistant Magistrate and Collector, 24-Parganas.
Rai Bahadur Priya Lal Ganguli, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.
Maulvi Abdur Salik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.
Babu Ambika Charan Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.
Babu Suresh Chandra Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.

Parganas
of South
Muhamma-

Mr. Srigopal Bhattacharji, Additional District Magistrate,
24-Parganas.
Babu Jatindra Mohan Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Col-
lector, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Gunamay Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
Diamond Harbour.
Babu Subodh Chandra Datta, Munsiff, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Narayan Chandra Bose, Munsiff, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Sudhir Kumar Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Diamond
Harbour.
Babu Bijay Chandra Dhar, Sub-Registrar, Mathurapur, Diamond
Harbour.
Hon'ble Mr. S. K. Sinha, Assistant Magistrate and Collector,
24-Parganas.
Rai Bahadur Priya Lal Ganguli, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy
Collector, 24-Parganas.
Maulvi Abdus Salik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
24-Parganas.
Babu Ambika Charan Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collec-
tor, 24-Parganas.
Babu Suresh Chandra Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector,
24-Parganas.

Parganas
of (Muham-
dan).

Babu Braja Durlabh Hajra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
Alipore.
Mr. Nrisinha Ranjan Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy
Collector, Alipore.
Babu Jatindra Nath Mitra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
Alipore.
Babu Hem Chandra Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collec-
tor, Alipore.
Mr. Praphulla Sanker Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
Alipore.
Mr. A. P. Peters, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Debendra Nath Bose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
Alipore.
Babu Haripada Ray, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Gourendra Krishna Deb, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipore.
Babu Ashutosh Ray, Munsiff, Baruipore, 24-Parganas.
Mr. Srigopal Bhattacharji, Additional District Magistrate,
24-Parganas.
Hon'ble Mr. S. K. Sinha, Assistant Magistrate and Collector,
24-Parganas.
Rai Bahadur Priya Lal Gangali, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy
Collector, 24-Parganas.
Maulvi Abdus Salik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
24-Parganas.
Babu Ambika Charan Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collec-
tor, 24-Parganas.
Babu Suresh Chandra Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, 24-Parganas.
Babu Kshitish Chandra Chatarji, Munsiff, Baraset.
Babu Manmatha Chandra Bose, Munsiff, Basirhat.
Babu Basanta Kumar Roy, Munsiff, Basirhat.

24-Parganas
Rural (Muham-
madan.)—
concl'd.

Babu Manmatha Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Baraset.
Babu Ashutosh Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Basirhat.
Maulvi Azizur Rahman, Sub-Deputy Collector, Baraset.
Babu Hari Das Chatarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Basirhat.
Maulvi Nurul Haq, Sub-Deputy Collector, Barrackpore.
Maulvi Abdul Wajid, Sub-Registrar, Habra, Baraset.
Babu Jatindra Mohan Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Gunamay Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Subodh Chandra Datta, Munsiff, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Narayan Chandra Bose, Munsiff, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Sudhir Kumar Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Diamond Harbour.
Babu Bijay Chandra Dhar, Sub-Registrar, Mathurapur, Diamond Harbour.

Murshidabad
(Muhammadan).
Murshidabad
(non-Muham-
madan).

Babu Dharendra Nath Guha, Munsiff, Berhampore.
Babu Nani Gopal Mukharji, Munsiff, Berhampore.
Babu Manindra Prasad Singh, Munsiff, Berhampore.
Babu Akhil Kumar Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Berhampore.
Mr. A. F. M. Abdul Ali, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Berhampore.
Mr. A. F. M. Mohsin Ali, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Berhampore.
Babu Bagala Prasanna Chakrabatti, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Lalbagh.
Babu Adwaita Charan Samanta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kandi.
Babu Gyanada Prasad Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jangipur.
Maulvi Saiyid Furrokh Mirza, Probationary Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Berhampore.
Mirza Yahya Shirazi, Sub-Deputy Collector, Lalbagh.
Babu Sanat Kumar Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kandi.
Babu Suresh Chakrabatti, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kandi.
Babu Sourendra Kumar Mitra, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jangipur.
Maulvi Elamuddin Khan, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jangipur.

Jessore South
(non-Muham-
madan).

Maulvi Wali-ul-Islam, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jessore.
Babu Sachindra Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jessore.
Khan Sahib Tabibur Rahman, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Narail.
Mr. Bimala Kanta Ghose, Probationary Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jessore.
Maulvi Samiruddin Bhuiyan, Sub-Deputy Collector, Narail.
Babu Sashi Bhushan Ghose, Munsif, Jessore.

Jessore South
Muhamma-

Babu Satish Chandra Banarji, Munsif, Narail.
Maulvi Inamul Kabiraj Qudiri, Sub-Registrar, Jessore.
Babu Binod Bihari Sen, Sub-Registrar, Chhatiantalla.
Babu Jitendra Kumar Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Jheekargacha.
Maulvi Gholam Husain, Sub-Registrar, Keshabpur.
Babu Ananga Mohan Roy, Sub-Registrar, Monirampur.
Babu Chuni Lal Seal, Sub-Registrar, Narail.
Babu Bhudeb Chatarji, Sub-Registrar, Singasolpur.
Babu Satish Chandra Sen, Sub-Registrar, Kalia.
Maulvi Naziruddin Ahmed, Sub-Registrar, Lakhipassa.
Maulvi Afzar Ali, Sub-Registrar, Alfadanga.

Jessore North
Muhamma-

Babu Sukumar Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bongaon.
Babu Anadi Nath Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Magura.
Mr. H. L. Fell, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jhenidah.
Babu Nripendra Kumar Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bongaon.
Maulvi Muhammad Ibrahim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Magura.
Maulvi Serajul Islam Zahid Khan, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jhenidah.
Babu Praphulla Chandra Datta, Munsiff, Bongaon.
Babu Rabindra Nath Dhar, Munsiff, Magura.
Babu Bagala Prasanna Bose, Munsiff, Jhenidah.
Babu Mohendra Lal Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Khalispur.
Babu Girindra Nath Ray, Sub-Registrar, Bongaon.
Maulvi Fazlul Karim, Sub-Registrar, Magura.
Maulvi Abdul Jabbar, Sub-Registrar, Mahmedpur.
Babu Prabodh Chandra Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Sailkopa.
Babu Nagendra Nath Bose, Sub-Registrar, Harinakundu.
Babu Sourendra Nath Ray Chaudhuri, Sub-Registrar, Kaliganj.
Babu Satish Chandra Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Kotchandpur.
Maulvi A. K. M. Abdul Jabbar, Sub-Registrar, Jhenidah.

Jessore South
Muhammadan).

Maulvi Wali-ul-Islam, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jessore.
Babu Sachindra Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jessore.
Khan Sahib Tabibur Rahman, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Narail.
Mr. Bimala Kanta Ghose, Probationary Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jessore.
Maulvi Samiruddin Bhuiyan, Sub-Deputy Collector, Narail.
Babu Sashi Bhusan Ghose, Munsiff, Jessore.
Babu Satish Chandra Banarji, Munsiff, Narail.
Maulvi Inamul Kabiraj Qadiri, Sub-Registrar, Jessore.
Babu Binod Bihari Sen, Sub-Registrar, Chhatiantalla.
Babu Jitendra Kumar Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Jheekargacha.
Maulvi Gholam Hussain, Sub-Registrar, Keshabpur.
Babu Ananga Mohon Roy, Sub-Registrar, Monirampur.
Babu Chuni Lal Seal, Sub-Registrar, Narail.

Jessore South
(Muhammadan).

Babu Bhudeb Chatarji, Sub-Registrar, Singasolpur.
 Babu Satish Chandra Sen, Sub-Registrar, Kalia.
 Maulvi Naziruddin Ahmed, Sub-Registrar, Lakhipassa.
 Maulvi Afzar Ali, Sub-Registrar, Alfadanga.*
 Babu Sukumar Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
 Bongaon.
 Babu Nripendra Kumar Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bongaon.
 Babu Praphulla Chandra Dutt, Munsiff, Bongaon.
 Babu Mohendra Lal Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Khalispur.
 Babu Girindra Nath Ray, Sub-Registrar, Bongaon.

Jessore North
(Muhammadan).

Babu Anadi Nath Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector,
 Magura.
 Mr. H. L. Fell, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jhenidah.
 Maulvi Muhammad Ibrahim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Magura.
 Maulvi Serajul Islam Zahid Khan, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jhenidah.
 Babu Rabindra Nath Dhar, Munsiff, Magura.
 Babu Bagala Prasanna Bose, Munsiff, Jhenidah.
 Maulvi Fazlul Karim, Sub-Registrar, Magura.
 Maulvi Abdul Jabbar, Sub-Registrar, Mahmedpur.
 Babu Prabodh Chandra Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Sailkopa.
 Babu Nagendra Nath Bose, Sub-Registrar, Harinakundu.
 Babu Sourendra Nath Ray Chaudhuri, Sub-Registrar, Kaliganj.*
 Babu Satish Chandra Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Kotchandpur.
 Maulvi A. K. M. Abdul Jabbar, Sub-Registrar, Jhenidah.

Khulna
(Muhammadan).
 Khulna (non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Bhabani Prasad Neogi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Khulna.
 Babu Upendra Nath Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Khulna.
 Babu Dasarathi Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Khulna.
 Babu Amarendra Nath Roy, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Khulna.
 Babu Nabagopal Chaki, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Khulna.
 Babu Jitendra Chandra Majumdar, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Khulna.
 Babu Gopendra Kumar Ghose Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bagerhat.
 Babu Anadi-Ranjan Basu, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Satkhira.
 Babu Charu Chandra Bhattacharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bagerhat.
 Babu Ratan Lal Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bagerhat.
 Babu Nalini Ranjan Basu, Sub-Deputy Collector, Satkhira.

Babu Manmatha Nath Ghatak, Munsiff, Sathkhira.
 Babu Mon Mohon Banarji, Munsiff, Satkhira.
 Babu Jogendra Nath Wadadar, Munsiff, Sathkhira.
 Babu Bhaba Taran Mukherji, Munsiff, Bagerhat.
 Babu Nikunja Bihari Banarji, Munsiff, Khulna.
 Babu Shib Chandra Sil, Munsiff, Khulna.
 Babu Jogendra Kumar De, Munsiff, Khulna.
 Babu Sris Chandra Ray, Munsiff, Satkhira.

Babu Bhuban Mohon Singh, Munsiff, Krishnagar.
 Babu Kamini Kumar Datta, Munsiff, Krishnagar.
 Maulvi Shaikh Abdulla (No. II), Sub-Deputy Collector, Krishnagar.
 Nawabzada Saiyid Ali Ashraf, Deputy Magistrate, Krishnagar.
 Maulvi A. M. Nasiruddin, Deputy Magistrate, Krishnagar.
 Babu Sailendra Nath Basu Mallik, Deputy Magistrate, Meherpur.
 Babu Nagendra Nath Mazumdar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Meherpur.
 Maulvi Muhammad Abdul Zaher, District Sub-Registrar, Nadia.
 Rai Sahib Mahendra Nath Gupta, Deputy Magistrate, Krishnagar.
 Babu Lalit Chandra Guha, Deputy Magistrate, Kushtia.
 Babu Kanti Chandra Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Krishnagar.
 Babu Shitala Kanta Gangali, Subdivisional Officer, Chuadanga.
 Babu Anadi Nath Lahiri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chuadanga.
 Babu Narendra Kumar Mukharji, Munsiff, Chuadanga.
 Babu Jatindra Mohon Singh, Deputy Collector, Krishnagar.
 Babu Bibek Mohan Sehanavis, Sub-Registrar, Kushtia.
 Babu Haran Chandra Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kushtia.
 Saiyid Muhammad Ali Sulaimanjah, Sub-Deputy Collector, Ranaghat.
 Babu Sarada, Prasanna Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate, Ranaghat.
 Maulvi Abdul Ghafur, Sub-Deputy Collector, Ranaghat.
 Babu Birendra Kumar Datta, Munsiff, Ranaghat.
 Babu Hem Chandra Basu (No. II), Munsiff, Meherpur.
 Babu Nishi Kanta Banarji, Munsiff, Kushtia.
 Babu Pranendra Narayan Chaudhuri, Munsiff, Kushtia.
 Babu Satyendra Krishna Deb, Sub-Registrar, Chuadanga.
 Maulvi Muhammad Reazuddin, Officiating Sub-Registrar, Shikarpur.
 Babu Sharat Chandra Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Meherpur.

Babu Ananga Mohan Lahiri, Munsiff, Dacca.
 Babu Atul Chandra Gangali, Munsiff, Dacca.
 Babu Mohendranath Lahiri, Munsiff, Dacca.
 Babu Dwaraka Nath De, Munsiff, Dacca.

Babu Amulya Charan Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Dwarka Nath De, Munsiff, Dacca.
 Babu Rai Kishore Majumdar, Munsiff, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Pratul Chandra Roy, Munsiff, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Babu Santosh Kumar Mitter, Munsiff, Narayanganj, Dacca.

Dacca Rural
(non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Sambhu Charan Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Narayanganj.
 Babu Promode Ranjan Das Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Sushil Chandra Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Sachi Kanta Ghose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Maulvi Nausher Ali Khan Yusufji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Surendranath Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Manikganj, Dacca.
 Babu Ananta Kumar Malakar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Manikganj, Dacca.
 Babu Promod Lal Dhar, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Manikganj, Dacca.
 Babu Hem Chandra Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Jogesh Chandra Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Ajit Kumar Bose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Maulvi Muhammad Abul Basher, Sub-Deputy Collector, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Babu Narendra Nath Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Babu Indu Bhushan Nag, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.

Dacca West
Rural
(Muhammadan).

Babu Amulya Charan Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Dwarka Nath De, Munsiff, Dacca.
 Babu Rai Kishore Majumdar, Munsiff, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Surendra Nath Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Manikganj, Dacca.
 Babu Ananta Kumar Malakar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Manikganj, Dacca.
 Babu Pramode Lal Dhar, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Manikganj, Dacca.
 Babu Hem Chandra Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Jogesh Chandra Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Munshiganj, Dacca.
 Babu Indu Bhushan Nag, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Narendra Nath Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.

Dacca East
Rural
(Muhammadan).

Babu Dwarka Nath De, Munsiff, Dacca.
 Babu Pratul Chandra Ray, Munsiff, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Babu Santosh Kumar Mitter, Munsiff, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Babu Promode Ranjan Das Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Sambhu Charan Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Babu Sachi Kanta Ghosh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Sushil Chandra Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Maulvi Nausher Ali Khan Yusufji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Ajit Kumar Bose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Maulvi Muhammad Abul Basher, Sub-Deputy Collector, Narayanganj, Dacca.
 Babu Indu Bhushan Nag, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Narendra Nath Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dacca.
 Babu Rai Kishore Majumdar, Munsiff, Munshiganj.

Babu Jogendra Narayan Roy Chaudhuri, Munsiff, Sherpur, Mymensingh.

Babu Gopeswar Banarji, Munsiff, Jamalpur, Mymensingh.

Babu Priyabrata Sen, Munsiff, Jamalpur, Mymensingh.

Babu Hem Chandra Basu (No. III), Munsiff, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Babu Ramesh Chandra Bardhan, Munsiff, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Babu Phani Bhushan Banarji, Munsiff, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Babu Srimanta Kumar Das Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Babu Sushil Kumar Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Babu Rebati Raman Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jamalpur, Mymensingh.

Babu Birendra Nath Basu, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jamalpur, Mymensingh.

Babu Janaki Bhushan Singh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jamalpur, Mymensingh.

Maulvi Mir Hafizuddin, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Maulvi Bazlur Rahman, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Babu Bimala Charan Guha, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tangail, Mymensingh.

Babu Jyotish Chandra Chakrabatti, Sub-Deputy Collector and Inspector, Co-operative Credit Societies, Jamalpur, Mymensingh.

Babu Binod Kanta Banarji Chaudhuri, Sub-Registrar, Sharishabari, Mymensingh.

Babu Trailokya Nath Roy, Munsiff, Mymensingh.

Babu Upendra Kumar Kar, Munsiff, Mymensingh.

Babu Kumud Bandhu Gupta, Munsiff, Mymensingh.

Babu Probodh Chandra Dey, Munsiff, Mymensingh.

Babu Pashupati Mukharji, Munsiff, Iswarganj, Mymensingh.

Babu Jogesh Chandra Sen Gupta, Munsiff, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.

Babu Charu Chandra Basu, Munsiff, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.

Babu Ashutosh Ukil Banarji, Munsiff, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.

Babu Hari Jiban Banarji, Munsiff, Bajitpur, Mymensingh.

Babu Suresh Chandra Sen (No. I), Munsiff, Netrakona, Mymensingh.

Babu Manmatha Kumar Roy, Munsiff, Netrakona, Mymensingh.

Maulvi Altaf Ahmad, Munsiff, Netrakona, Mymensingh.

Babu Niranjana Ray, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Netrakona, Mymensingh.

Maulvi Atai Ilahi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Netrakona, Mymensingh.

Babu Satish Chandra Guha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Mymensingh.

Rai Suresh Chandra Basu Bahadur, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.

Babu Kalidas Bagchi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.

Mymensingh
East
(Muhammadan).
Mymensingh
East (Non-
(Muhammadan).

Babu Binod Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.
Babu Annada Charan Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.
Babu Madhusudan Das, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.
Babu Ashutosh Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.
Babu Surendra Nath Sarkar, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.
Babu Pramatha Nath Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector and Assistant Settlement Officer, Mymensingh.
Maulvi Khurshed Ali Taluqdar, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Mymensingh.
Babu Harendra Chandra Barori, Sub-Deputy Collector, Netrakona, Mymensingh.
Babu Satkari Lal De, Sub-Deputy Collector, Netrokona, Mymensingh.
Babu Banka Chandra Roy, Sub-Registrar, Netrokona, Mymensingh.
Maulvi Muhammad Israil, Sub-Registrar, Kishoreganj, Mymensingh.

Faridpur
North
(Muhammadan)
Faridpur
North (Non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Mahendra Nath Das, Munsiff, Faridpur.
Babu Surendra Nath Sen, Munsiff, Bhanga, Faridpur.
Babu Mahimaranjan Mitra, Munsiff, Bhanga, Faridpur.
Babu Tribhubaneswar Roy, Munsiff, Goalundo, Faridpur.
Babu Akshay Kumar Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Babu Phani Bhusan Mitra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Babu Binod Kumar Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Maulvi Adiluzzaman Khan, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Mr. Alfred Bose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Goalundo, Faridpur.
Babu Brajendra Nath Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Babu Jatindra Mohan Chatarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Babu Nishi Kanta Basu, Sub-Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Maulvi Muhammad Ismail, Sub-Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Maulvi Khondkar Muazzam Hussain, Sub-Deputy Collector, Faridpur.
Babu Hiralal Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector, Goalundo, Faridpur.
Babu Akshay Kumar Basu, Sub-Deputy Collector, Goalundo, Faridpur.
Babu Srimanta Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Goalundo, Faridpur.
Babu Mukunda Lal Gangali, District Sub-Registrar, Faridpur.

Faridpur
South
(Muhammadan).
Faridpur
South (Non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Birendra Chandra Sen Gupta, Munsiff, Madaripur, Faridpur.
Babu Nerodeswar Banarji, Munsiff, Madaripur, Faridpur.
Babu Satish Chandra Sen, Munsiff, Madaripur, Faridpur.
Babu Amulya Kumar Guha, Munsiff, Chikandi, Faridpur.

- Maulvi Abu Ali Muhammad Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Madaripur, Faridpur.
- Babu Suresh Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Gopalganj, Faridpur.
- Babu Braja Bandhu Bhaumik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Madaripur.
- Babu Ramani Ranjan Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Madaripur, Faridpur.
- Babu Upendra Nath Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Madaripur, Faridpur.
- Babu Kamini Mohan Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Gopalganj, Faridpur.
- Maulvi Nurul Halim Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Gopalganj, Faridpur.
- Babu Prabodh Chandra Sen, Superintendent of Excise, Faridpur.
- Babu Gyan Chandra Chakrabatti, Sub-Deputy Collector, Madaripur, Faridpur.
- Maulvi Sirajul Islam, Deputy Collector, Madaripur, Faridpur.

- Mr. Girish Chandra Nag, Additional District Magistrate, Bakarganj.
- Babu Bhabes Chandra Roy, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Satyendra Nath Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Surja Mani De, Munsiff, Bakarganj.
- Babu Rebati Ranjan Mukharji, Munsiff, Bakarganj.
- Babu Jyotish Chandra Neogi, Munsiff, Bakarganj.
- Babu Nilendra Nath Bose, Munsiff, Bhola, Bakarganj.
- Babu Pran Kumar Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Maulvi Shamsuddin Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Binod Bihari Das Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Praphulla Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Rai Sahib Hara Kishore Biswas, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Radha Krishna Goswami, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Satish Chandra Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Maulvi Talimuddin Ahmad Tariqul Alam, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
- Maulvi Emdad Ali, Probationary Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Abhoy Kumar Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
- Babu Sridhar Majumdar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
- Babu Kshetra Mohan Mondal, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
- Maulvi Syeduddin Ahmed, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
- Babu Sudhangsu Shekhar Lahiri, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.

Bakarganj
South (non-
Muhammadan).

Mr. Girish Chandra Nag, Additional District Magistrate, Bakarganj.
 Babu Bhabes Chandra Ray, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Satyendra Nath Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Abinash Chandra Banarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Babu Kali Mohan Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Khan Bahadur Qamaruddin Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Saleh Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Babu Bijoy Kumar Datta Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Muhammad Abdul Khaleq, Sub-Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Reazuddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Babu Priya Nath Das, Sub-Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Babu Atul Kumar Ghosh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Mr. M. J. P. Deefholts, Superintendent of Excise, Bakarganj.
 Babu Manmatha Nath Chaudhuri, Munsiff, Bakarganj.
 Babu Gopal Chandra Biswas, Munsiff, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Babu Rajani Kanta Chaudhuri, Munsiff, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Abdul Khaleq, District Sub-Registrar, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Abdul Ali, Sub-Registrar, Mathbaria, Bakarganj.

Bakarganj
North (Muham-
madan).

Mr. Girish Chandra Nag, Additional District Magistrate, Bakarganj.
 Babu Bhabes Chandra Ray, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Satyendra Nath Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Prafulla Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Rai Sahib Hara Kishore Biswas, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Radha Krishna Goswami, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Satish Chandra Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Talimuddin Ahmad Tariqul Alam, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
 Babu Abhoy Kumar Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Sridhar Majumdar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
 Babu Kshetra Mohan Mondal, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Syeduddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bhola, Bakarganj.
 Babu Nilendra Nath Bose, Munsiff, Bhola, Bakarganj.

Mr. Girish Chandra Nag, Additional District Magistrate, Bakarganj.
 Babu Bhabes Chandra Ray, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Satyendra Nath Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Kali Mohan Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Khan Bahadur Qamaruddin Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Reazuddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Babu Atul Kumar Ghosh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Babu Priya Nath Das, Sub-Deputy Collector, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Babu Gopal Chandra Biswas, Munsiff, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.
 Babu Rajani Kanta Chaudhuri, Munsiff, Patuakhali, Bakarganj.

Mr. Girish Chandra Nag, Additional District Magistrate, Bakarganj.
 Babu Bhabes Chandra Ray, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Satyendra Nath Datta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Shamsuddin Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Pran Kumar Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Binod Bihari Das Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Saleh Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Babu Abinash Chandra Banarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Babu Bijoy Kumar Datta Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Muhammad Abdul Khaleq, Sub-Deputy Collector, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Emdad Ali, Probationary Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Sudhangsu Sekhar Lahiri, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Bakarganj.
 Babu Surja Mani De, Munsiff, Bakarganj.
 Babu Rebati Ranjan Mukharji, Munsiff, Bakarganj.
 Babu Jyotish Chandra Neogi, Munsiff, Bakarganj.
 Babu Manmatha Nath Chaudhuri, Munsiff, Pirojpur, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Abdul Khaleq, District Sub-Registrar, Bakarganj.
 Maulvi Abdul Ali, Sub-Registrar, Mathbaria, Bakarganj.
 Mr. M. J. P. Deefholts, Superintendent of Excise, Bakarganj.

Babu Gyan Chandra Banarji, Munsiff, Chittagong.
 Babu Kunja Bihari Ray, Munsiff, Hathhajari, Chittagong.
 Babu Ram Lal Banarji, Munsiff, Fatikchary, Chittagong.
 Babu Santasil Banarji, Munsiff, Raozan, Chittagong.
 Babu Malati Nath Bose, Munsiff, South Raozan, Chittagong.
 Babu Tara Prasanna Acharji, Munsiff, Patiya, Chittagong.
 Babu Nagendra Nath Bose, Munsiff, Patiya, Chittagong.
 Babu Khagendra Nath Mitra, Munsiff, Patiya, Chittagong.
 Babu Atul Chandra Ray, Munsiff, Satkania, Chittagong.
 Babu Nara Nath Mukharji, Munsiff, Cox's Bazar, Chittagong.
 Babu Hemendra Nath Nandi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Babu Surendra Nath Bose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Babu Nitya Gopal Roy, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Babu Jyotish Chandra Banarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Mr. Susil Kumar Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Cox's Bazar, Chittagong.
 Mr. Suresh Chandra Ghatak, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Babu Radha Prasad Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Babu Kshiti Nath Ghosh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Cox's Bazar, Chittagong.
 Babu Apurba Ranjan Barua, Sub-Deputy Collector, Cox's Bazar, Chittagong.
 Mr. Akshay Kumar Ghosh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Fazlul Karim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kutubdia, Chittagong.
 Babu Rebati Raman Barua, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Babu Bhubaneswar Sanyal, Sub-Deputy Collector, Satkania, Chittagong.
 Babu Uma Charan Barua, Sub-Deputy Collector, Patiya, Chittagong.
 Babu Jadu Gopal Pal, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Abdul Karim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Khondkar Moazzam Hussain, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chittagong.
 Babu Debendra Nath Guha, Sub-Deputy Collector and Khas Tahsildar, Raozan, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Abdul Latif Khan, Sub-Registrar, Fatehabad, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Samsur Rahman, Sub-Registrar, Nanupur, Chittagong.
 Babu Ramani Ranjan Sen, Sub-Registrar, Boalkhali, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Saleh Ahmed, Sub-Registrar, Anwara, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Fazlar Rahman, Sub-Registrar, Kalipur, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Abdul Wadud, Sub-Registrar, Padua, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Abul Khair Muhammad Yusuf, Sub-Registrar, Sitakunda, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Fazlul Qadir, Sub-Registrar, Jorarganj, Chittagong.
 Maulvi Mahbubar Rahman, Sub-Registrar, Chakaria, Chittagong.

Chittagong
 (Muhammadan).
 Chittagong
 (non-Muhammadan).

- Babu Durga Prasanna Pal, Munsiff, Noakhali.
 Babu Rash Behari Barman, Munsiff, Noakhali.
 Babu Dwijendra Nath Pal, Munsiff, Noakhali.
 Babu Indu Bhusan Biswas, Munsiff, Feni, Noakhali.
 Babu Upendra Lal Das Gupta, Munsiff, Feni, Noakhali.
 Babu Probodh Chandra Ray, Munsiff, Lakhmipur, Noakhali.
 Babu Makhan Lal Mukharji, Munsiff, Lakhmipur, Noakhali.
 Babu Nagendra Kumar Basu, Munsiff, Sandip, Noakhali.
 Babu Naresh Chandra Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Sandip, Noakhali.
 Babu Satya Saran Guha, Munsiff, Hatiya, Noakhali.
 Babu Hiranya Kumar Das Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Babu Kunjalal Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Babu Kumud Behari Mallik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Feni, Noakhali.
 Babu Sati Prasad Gangali, Sub-Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Babu Jyotish Chandra Aich, Sub-Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Maulvi Muztafizur Rahman Khan, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Babu Girija Bhusan Ghosal, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Babu Jatindra Mohan Das, Sub-Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Maulvi Kafiluddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Maulvi Nuruddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Hatia, Noakhali.
 Babu Satya Charan Haldar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Noakhali.
 Maulvi Fazlul Karim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Lakhmipur, Noakhali.
 Babu Raj Kumar Basu, District Sub-Registrar, Noakhali.
- Babu Bakulal Biswas, Munsiff, Comilla, Tippera.
 Babu Gobinda Chandra Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Comilla, Tippera.
 Babu Sailesh Chandra Banarji, Munsiff, Comilla, Tippera.
 Babu Jitendra Nath Chatarji, Munsiff, Comilla, Tippera.
 Babu Hiralal Das Gupta, Munsiff, Comilla, Tippera.
 Maulvi Shahabuddin Ahmad, Munsiff, Chandpur, Tippera.
 Babu Ramesh Chandra Sen, Munsiff, Chandpur, Tippera.
 Babu Jamini Kishore Ray, Munsiff, Chandpur, Tippera.
 Babu Jyotirindra Narayan Bagchi, Munsiff, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
 Babu Satya Charan Mukharji, Munsiff, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
 Babu Dinesh Chandra Ray, Munsiff, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
 Babu Pran Kumar Bose, Munsiff, Nabinagar, Tippera.
 Babu Gyanendra Mohan Haldar, Munsiff, Nabinagar, Tippera.
 Babu Raj Mohan Gangali, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Tippera.
 Babu Basanta Kumar Das, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
 Rai Suresh Chandra Sinha Bahadur, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Chandpur, Tippera.

Tippera
(Muhammadan).
Tippera
(non-Muham-
madan).

Babu Atul Chandra Bagchi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Maulvi Abdul Majid, No. 1, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Babu Ashutosh Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Maulvi Daliluddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Babu Manoranjan Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Maulvi Rakibuddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Maulvi Siddique Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Babu Hem Bhushan Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tippera.
Maulvi A. K. M. Hafizullah Haidar, Inspector, Co-operative Societies, Chandpur, Tippera.
Maulvi Fazlul Azim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chandpur, Tippera.
Babu Sarat Kumar Guha, Sub-Deputy Collector, Chandpur, Tippera.
Maulvi Mir Husain, Sub-Deputy Collector, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
Maulvi Salamatulla Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
Babu Upendra Chandra Narayan Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
Babu Dhurjati Kumar Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Brahmanbaria, Tippera.
Babu Kamalini Kanta Roy, Sub-Registrar, Hajiganj, Tippera.
Maulvi Bazlur Rahaman, Sub-Registrar, Matlab, Tippera.
Maulvi Maqbul Ahmad, Sub-Registrar, Faridganj.
Maulvi Syed Misbahuddin Ahmad, Sub-Registrar, Chandpur, Tippera.
Babu Sadananda Sen, Sub-Registrar, Chandina, Tippera.
Maulvi Mahmud Maniruddin, Sub-Registrar, Chaudagram, Tippera.
Maulvi Reazutullah, District Sub-Registrar, Tippera.
Maulvi Abdul Hamid, Sub-Registrar, Nabinagar, Tippera.

Rajshahi
(non-Muham-
madan).

Babu Uma Prasanna Guha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
Maulvi Abdul Majid (No. II), Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
Maulvi M. H. M. Furrokh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
Maulvi Afsar Ali Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
Babu Upendra Mohan Sen Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
Babu Jogesh Chandra Datta, M.B.E., Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Nator, Rajshahi.
Maulvi A. H. M. Abdul Hye, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
Mirza Muhammad Abdul Aziz, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
Babu Anadi Nath Sarkar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Nator, Rajshahi.

Rajshahi (non-mamdan).

Babu Manindra Nath Bose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Muhammad Taheruddin, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Babu Bhujendra Nath Mustafi, Munsiff, Boalia, Rajshahi.
 Babu Nripendra Nath Guha, Munsiff, Nator, Rajshahi.
 Babu Thakur Das Banarji, Munsiff, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
 Babu Harendra Nath Banerji, Munsiff, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
 Babu Binode Bihari Sen, Sub-Registrar, Nator, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Halimuzzaman, Sub-Registrar, Atrai, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Golam Maqsd Khan, Sub-Registrar, Mahadebpur, Rajshahi.
 Quazi Muhammad Isa, Honorary Magistrate, Nator, Rajshahi.

Rajshahi South (mamdan).

Babu Uma Prasanna Guha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Abdul Majid (No. II), Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi M. H. M. Furrokh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Babu Upendra Mohan Sen Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Afsar Ali Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Mirza Muhammad Abdul Aziz, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Taheruddin, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Babu Bhujendra Nath Mustafi, Munsiff, Boalia, Rajshahi.

Rajshahi North (mamdan).

Babu Uma Prasanna Guha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Abdul Majid (No. II), Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Mr. M. H. M. Furrokh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector Rajshahi.
 Babu Jogesh Chandra Datta, M.B.E., Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Nator, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi A. H. M. Abdul Hye, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
 Babu Anadi Nath Sarkar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rajshahi.
 Babu Manindra Nath Bose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
 Babu Nripendra Nath Guha, Munsiff, Nator, Rajshahi.
 Babu Thakur Das, Banarji, Munsiff, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
 Babu Harendra Nath Banarji, Munsiff, Naogaon, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Golam Maqsd Khan, Sub-Registrar, Mahadebpur, Rajshahi.
 Maulvi Halimuzzaman, Sub-Registrar, Atrai, Rajshahi.
 Babu Binode Bihari Sen, Sub-Registrar, Nator, Rajshahi.
 Quazi Muhammad Isa, Honorary Magistrate, Nator, Rajshahi.

Dinaipur
(Muhammadan).
Dinaipur
non-Muham-
madan).

Babu Mani Mohon Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Dinaipur.

Babu Radhika Lal De, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Dinaipur.

Maulvi Abdul Majid (No. III), Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Dinaipur.

Babu Gokul Chandra Majumdar, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Thakurgaon, Dinaipur.

Mr. Chittaranjan Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Balurghat, Dinaipur.

Babu Birendra Mohan Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Dinaipur.

Mr. M. R. Cox, Superintendent of Excise and Salt, Dinaipur.

Babu Harendra Lal Das, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dinaipur.

Babu Sharat Chandra Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dinaipur.

Babu Abinash Chandra Barman, Sub-Deputy Collector, Thakurgaon, Dinaipur.

Maulvi Zahurul Qaiyum, Sub-Deputy Collector, Balurghat, Dinaipur.

Babu Nibaran Chandra Das Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Dinaipur.

Babu Surendra Nath Roy, Munsiff, Raiganj, Dinaipur.

Babu Sasi Kumar Ghose, Munsiff, Dinaipur.

Babu Ramesh Chandra Sen, Munsiff, Dinaipur.

Babu Prafulla Chandra Guha, Munsiff, Thakurgaon, Dinaipur.

Babu Debendra Nath Sen Gupta, Munsiff, Balurghat, Dinaipur.

Babu Bhupendra Nath Mukharji, Munsiff, Balurghat, Dinaipur.

Babu Ramesh Chandra Chakrabatti, Sub-Registrar, Phulbaria, Dinaipur.

Babu Jatindra Nath Majumdar, Sub-Registrar, Thakurgaon, Dinaipur.

Babu Preogopal Chaki, Sub-Registrar, Lahirihat, Dinaipur.

Babu Ashutosh Sen, Sub-Registrar, Pirganj, Dinaipur.

Maulvi Amiruddin Ahmad, Sub-Registrar, Birganj, Dinaipur.

Maulvi Abdul Rahim, Sub-Registrar, Raiganj, Dinaipur.

Babu Saroj Kumar Sen, Sub-Registrar, Parbatipur, Dinaipur.

Rangpur
(non-Muham-
madan.)

Babu Akshay Narayan Mitra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.

Maulvi Akramuzzaman Khan, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.

Babu Jagadis Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.

Maulvi Muhammad Aziz Meser, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.

Babu Tara Nath Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Nilphamari, Rangpur.

Babu Rebat Mohon Chakrabatti, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kurigaon, Rangpur.

Babu Narendra Kumar Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Gaibandha, Rangpur.

Babu Gyan Ranjan Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.

Babu Sharat Chandra Lahiri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Babu Badanya Kumar Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Babu Sudhir Chandra Bhaduri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Tasmimuddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Abdul Karim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Jaladhar Ghose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Bisweswar Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Himangshu Jyoti Muzumdar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Babu Sasi Jiban Sen, Munsiff, Rangpur.
 Babu Hem Chandra Sanyal, Munsiff, Rangpur.
 Babu Brojendra Saran Sanyal, Munsiff, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Ram Chandra Ghose, Munsiff, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Debendra Chandra Biswas, Munsiff, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Abani Prasad Neogi, Munsiff, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Ramesh Chandra De, Munsiff, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Paziruddin Ahmad, Munsiff, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Babu Surendra Chandra Bose, Munsiff, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Babu Sarat Chandra Barman, Sub-Registrar, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Syed Abu Jafar, Sub-Registrar, Sadullapur, Rangpur.
 Babu Kali Kumar Ain, Sub-Registrar, Gobindganj, Rangpur.
 Babu Lochan Mani Nath, Sub-Registrar, Palasbari, Rangpur.
 Babu Ramesh Chandra Ghose, Sub-Registrar, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Bidhu Bhushan Raha, Sub-Registrar, Chilmari, Rangpur.
 Babu Srimanta Kumar Chakrabatti, Sub-Registrar, Ulipur, Rangpur.
 Babu Anath Nath Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Lalmanir Hat, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Muhammad Abdul Hamid, Sub-Registrar, Kishorganj, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Mir Syed Ali, Sub-Registrar, Jaldhaka, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Muhammad Afzal, Officiating Sub-Registrar, Jaldhaka, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Suresh Chandra Lahiri, Sub Registrar, Domar, Rangpur.

Babu Akshay Narayan Mitra, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Akramuzzaman Khan, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Babu Jagadis Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Muhammad Aziz Meser, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Babu Tara Nath Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Gyan Ranjan Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Babu Sharat Chandra Lahiri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Babu Badanya Kumar Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Babu Sudhir Chandra Bhaduri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.
 Mr. Tasmimuddin Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rangpur.

**Rangpur West
(Muhammadan).**

Maulvi Abdul Karim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Sasi Jiban Sen, Munsiff, Rangpur.
 Babu Hem Chandra Sanyal, Munsiff, Rangpur.
 Babu Brojendra Saran Sanyal, Munsiff, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Ram Chandra Ghose, Munsiff, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Syed Ali, Sub-Registrar, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Muhammad Afzal, Officiating Sub-Registrar, Nilphamari, Rangpur.
 Babu Suresh Chandra Lahiri, Sub-Registrar, Domar, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Muhammad Abdul Hamid, Sub-Registrar, Nilphamari, Rangpur.

**Rangpur East
(Muhammadan).**

Babu Debendra Chandra Biswas, Munsiff, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Abani Prasad Neogi, Munsiff, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Ramesh Chandra De, Munsiff, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Paziruddin Ahmad, Munsiff, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Babu Surendra Chandra Bose, Munsiff, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Babu Narendra Kumar Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Babu Rebati Mohan Chakrabatti, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Jaladhar Ghose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Bisweswar Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Himangshu Jyoti Mozumdar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Gaibandha, Rangpur.
 Babu Lochan Mani Nath, Sub-Registrar, Palasbari, Rangpur.
 Babu Kali Kumar Ain, Sub-Registrar, Gobindaganj, Rangpur.
 Maulvi Syed Abu Zafar, Sub-Registrar, Sadullapur, Rangpur.
 Babu Ramesh Chandra Ghose, Sub-Registrar, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Bidhu Bhusan Raha, Sub-Registrar, Chilmari, Rangpur.
 Babu Srimanta Kumar Chakrabatti, Sub-Registrar, Ulipur, Rangpur.
 Babu Anath Nath Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Kurigaon, Rangpur.
 Babu Sarat Chandra Barman, Sub-Registrar, Gaibandha, Rangpur.

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Pabna (non-
Muhammadan).**

Babu Amarendra Nath Pal Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
 Maulvi Abdul Ghaffar, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
 Maulvi Ali Reza, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
 Maulvi Mozharul Islam, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Sirajganj, Pabna.
 Maulvi Hedayetulla, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Shazadpur, Pabna.
 Babu Chunilal Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
 Babu Dinesh Chandra Sen, Munsiff, Pabna.
 Babu Jogesh Chandra Chatarji, Munsiff, Sirajganj, Pabna.
 Babu Phanindra Kumar Sinha, Munsiff, Sirajganj, Pabna.

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Babu Sudhindra Narayan Roy, Superintendent of Excise, Pabna.
Babu Phanindra Nath Mukharji, No. II, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Nagendra Nath Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Aswini Kumar Maitra, Sub-Deputy Collector and Manager, Jaipur Government Estates, Bogra.
Babu Surendra Nath De, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Nabagopal Ray, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Bama Charan Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Bogra.
Babu Banku Bihari Bhaduri, Munsiff, Bogra.
Babu Atal Bihari Datta, Munsiff, Bogra.

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Babu Amarendra Nath Pal Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
Maulvi Abdul Ghaffar, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
Maulvi Ali Reza, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
Maulvi Muzharul Islam, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Sirajganj, Pabna.
Maulvi Hedayetulla, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Shazadpur, Pabna.
Babu Chunilal Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Pabna.
Babu Dinesh Chandra Sen, Munsiff, Pabna.
Babu Jogesh Chandra Chatarji, Munsiff, Sirajganj, Pabna.
Babu Phanindra Kumar Sinha, Munsiff, Sirajganj, Pabna.
Babu Sudhindra Narayan Roy, Superintendent of Excise, Pabna.

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Babu Phanindra Nath Mukharji, No. II, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Nagendra Nath Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Aswini Kumar Maitra, Sub-Deputy Collector and Manager, Jaipur Government Estates, Bogra.
Babu Surendra Nath De, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Nabagopal Ray, Sub-Deputy Collector, Bogra.
Babu Bama Charan Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Bogra.
Babu Banku Behari Bhaduri, Munsiff, Bogra.
Babu Atal Bihari Datta, Munsiff, Bogra.

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hammadan).

Babu Kumud Kanta Sen, Munsiff, Malda.
Babu Kiran Chandra Mitra, Munsiff, Malda.
Babu Nishi Kanta Guha, Munsiff, Nawabganj, Malda.
Babu Manohar Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Malda.

Malda (non-Muhammadan).

Maulvi Khundkar Ali Taib, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Malda.
 Maulvi Chaudhuri Abid Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector, Malda.
 Babu Sachis Chandra Chatarji, District Sub-Registrar, Malda.
 Babu Pyari Lal Neogi, Honorary Magistrate, Malda.
 Khan Sahib Maulvi Kader Buksh, Chairman, District Board, Malda.

Jalpaiguri (non-Muhammadan).

Babu Raj Kumar Bose, Munsiff, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Narendra Nath De, Munsiff, Jalpaiguri.
 Mr. Basanta Kumar Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Jogendra Lal Nandi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.
 Mr. R. W. Ashe, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.
 Maulvi Lehazuddin Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.
 Maulvi Abdur Rahim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Lalit Kumar Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Harendra Nath Mazumdar, Sub-Deputy Collector, in charge Mainaguri Tahsil, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Rajendra Nath Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipur Duars, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Chandra Kumar Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipur Tahsil, Alipur Duars, Jalpaiguri.
 Maulvi Israil Haq Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Falakata Tahsil, Jalpaiguri.
 Mr. R. W. Morde, Extra Assistant Conservator of Forests, Jalpaiguri.
 Maulvi Taskinuddin Ahmad, District Sub-Registrar, Jalpaiguri.
 Maulvi Twabar Rahim, Sub-Registrar, Boda, Jalpaiguri.
 Maulvi Nazamuddin Ahmad, Sub-Registrar, Debiganj, Jalpaiguri.
 Maulvi Syed Ibrahim, Sub-Registrar, Debiganj, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Phani Bhusan Ray, Sub-Registrar, Alipur Duars, Jalpaiguri.
 Mr. K. Shempa, Superintendent of Excise and Salt, Jalpaiguri.

Malda *cum* Jalpaiguri (Muhammadan).

Babu Kumud Kanta Sen, Munsif, Malda.
 Babu Kiran Chandra Mitra, Munsif, Malda.
 Babu Nishi Kanta Guha, Munsif, Nawabganj, Malda.
 Babu Manohar Gupta, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Malda.
 Maulvi Khundkar Ali Taib, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Malda.
 Maulvi Chaudhuri Abid Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector, Malda.
 Babu Sachis Chandra Chatarji, District Sub-Registrar, Malda.
 Babu Pyari Lal Neogi, Honorary Magistrate, Malda.
 Khan Sahib Maulvi Kader Buksh, Chairman, District Board, Malda.
 Babu Raj Kumar Bose, Munsif, Jalpaiguri.
 Babu Narendra Nath De, Munsif, Jalpaiguri.

Mr. Basanta Kumar Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.

Babu Jogendra Lal Nandi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.

Mr. R. W. Ashe, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.

Maulvi Lehazuddin Ahmad, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.

Maulvi Abdur Rahim, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.

Babu Lalit Kumar Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Jalpaiguri.

Babu Harendra Nath Mazumdar, Sub-Deputy Collector in charge Mainaguri Tahsil, Jalpaiguri.

Babu Rajendra Nath Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipur Duars.

Babu Chandra Kumar Sen Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Alipur Tashil, Alipur Duars, Jalpaiguri.

Maulvi Israil Haq Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Falakata Tashil, Jalpaiguri.

Mr. R. W. Morde, Extra Assistant Conservator of Forests, Jalpaiguri.

Maulvi Taskinuddin Ahmad, District Sub-Registrar, Jalpaiguri.

Maulvi Twabar Rahim, Sub-Registrar, Boda, Jalpaiguri.

Maulvi Nazamuddin Ahmad, Sub-Registrar, Debiganj, Jalpaiguri.

Maulvi Syed Ibrahim, Sub-Registrar, Debiganj, Jalpaiguri.

Babu Phani Bhusan Ray, Sub-Registrar, Alipur Duars, Jalpaiguri.

Mr. K. Shempa, Superintendent of Excise and Salt, Jalpaiguri.

Babu Hem Chandra Mitra, Munsif, Burdwan.

Babu Indu Sekhar Bose, Munsif, Burdwan.

Babu Satya Prasanna Mazumdar, Munsif, Burdwan.

Babu Gopal Chandra Basu, Munsif, Asansol, Burdwan.

Babu Gajanan Banarji, Munsif, Katwa, Burdwan.

Babu Amulya Gopal Roy, Munsif, Kalna, Burdwan.

Babu Atul Chandra Guha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Asansol.

Babu Bhujendra Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Babu Gyanendra Mohan Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Babu Girish Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kalna, Burdwan.

Babu Satish Chandra Upadhaya, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Katwa, Burdwan.

Babu Hem Kumar Mallik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Babu Dakshina Ranjan Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Mr. A. De C. Williams, I.C.S., Joint Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Asansol.

Mr. Vernon Mackie Bonarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Asansol.

Babu Abhay Charan Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Galsi Circle, Burdwan.

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Burdwan
(non-Muham-
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Babu Aswini Kumar Gangali, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Raona Circle, Burdwan.
 Babu Surendra Nath Banarji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Memari Circle, Burdwan.
 Babu Sailesh Nath Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Kalna, Burdwan.
 Maulvi Ali Ashgar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kalna, Burdwan.
 Babu Birendra Lal Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Katwa, Burdwan.
 Babu Bankim Bihari Mitra, Sub-Deputy Collector, Asansol, Burdwan.
 Maulvi Abdur Rashid, District Sub-Registrar, Burdwan.
 Babu Janaki Prasad Aich, Sub-Registrar, Katwa.
 Babu Bimalapada Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Purbasthali, Burdwan.

Birbhum
(non-Muham-
madan).

Babu Hari Charan Bose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Birbhum.
 Babu Sukesh Chandra Deb Ray, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Birbhum.
 Mr. Satyendra Nath Mustafi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
 Babu Nalini Ranjan Raha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Birbhum.
 Babu Bimal Chandra Chatarji, Munsif, Bolpur, Birbhum.
 Babu Upendra Chandra Ghose, Munsif, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
 Babu Manoranjan Ray, Munsif, Suri, Birbhum.
 Babu Hira Lal Mukharji, Munsif, Bolpur, Birbhum.
 Babu Kali Prasanna Bagchi, Munsif, Dubrajpur, Birbhum.
 Babu Mahatap Chandra Ghosh, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Suri, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Ahmad Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Dubrajpur, Birbhum.
 Mr. Surendra Nath Bhattacharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Bolpur, Birbhum.
 Babu Umesh Chandra Sil, Sub-Deputy Collector, Birbhum.
 Babu Dilip Chandra Dhar, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
 Babu Gadadhar Singh Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Amir Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
 Babu Charu Chandra Mitra, District Sub-Registrar, Birbhum.
 Babu Satish Chandra Gupta, Sub-Registrar, Dubrajpur, Birbhum.
 Babu Jitendra Nath Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Bolpur, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Syed Zaki Reza, Sub-Registrar, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Kamarazzaman, Sub-Registrar, Nalhati, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Aga Ali Ahmad Siraji, Sub-Registrar, Labpur, Birbhum.

Bankura West
(non-Muham-
madan).

Babu Jitendra Kumar Biswas, Munsif, Bankura.
 Mr. Baidya Nath Ghatak, Retired District and Sessions Judge.
 Babu Barada Prasad Roy, Retired Sub-Judge.

Bankura
District (non-
Mohammadan).

Rai Sahib Bama Charan Roy, Chairman, District Board, Bankura.
Babu Sharat Chandra Mukharji, Munsif, Khatra, Bankura.
Maulvi Syed Izhar Hasan, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bankura.
Rai Sahib Bhupendra Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bankura.
Babu Ashutosh Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Bankura Circle, Bankura.
Babu Amar Nath Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Gangajalghat, Bankura.
Babu Dharendra Nath Banarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Onda, Bankura.
Babu Bireswar Sanyal, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Khatra, Bankura.
Babu Surendra Gopal Mitra, District Sub-Registrar, Bankura.
Babu Kirtibas Bose, Sub-Registrar, Raipur, Bankura.

Bankura
District (non-
Mohammadan).

Babu Satchidananda Das Gupta, Munsiff, Vishnupur, Bankura.
Babu Praphulla Chandra Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Vishnupur, Bankura.
Babu Bijay Gobinda Ghosal, Sub-Deputy Collector, Vishnupur, Bankura.
Babu Nut Bihari Chatarji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Vishnupur, Bankura.
Maulvi A. K. M. Abdul Latif, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Patrasair, Bankura.
Babu Kamakhya Kumar Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Sonamukhi, Bankura.
Babu Atul Chandra Baksi, Sub-Registrar, Indas, Bankura.
Babu Lakhminarayan Pathak, Sub-Registrar, Kotalpur, Bankura.

Midnapore
District (non-
Mohammadan).

Babu Atul Chandra Das Gupta, Munsiff, Midnapore.
Babu Janaki Nath Mukharji, Munsiff, Garbeta, Midnapore.
Babu Dharendra Kumar Mukharji, Munsiff, Danton, Midnapore.
Babu Rash Bihari Mukharji, Munsiff, Ghatal, Midnapore.
Maulvi Mirza Shigufta Bakht, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
Maulvi Muhammad Quamaruddin, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
Babu Surendra Mohan Bhaumik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
Rai Bhupendra Nath Gupta Bahadur, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
Babu Satamanyu Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
Babu Bimal Chandra Sinha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.

Midnapore
North (non-
Muhammadan)

Mr. Dhirendra Lal De, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Ghatal, Midnapore.
 Babu Ananga Mohan Chakrabatti, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Midnapore.
 Babu Tamasha Ranjan Dutt, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Midnapore.
 Babu Nirmal Kumar Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Chandrakona, Midnapore.
 Maulvi Khalil Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Pingla, Midnapore.
 Babu Surendra Nath Banarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Ghatal, Midnapore.
 Babu Shib Charan Mitter, Sub-Deputy Collector, Ghatal, Midnapore.
 Babu Sudhir Chandra Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Garbeta, Midnapore.
 Babu Kailash Chandra Bhuia, Sub-Registrar, Danton, Midnapore.
 Babu Kanti Chandra Pal, Sub-Registrar, Mohanpur, Midnapore.
 Maulvi Abdul Faiz, Sub-Registrar, Gopiballavpur, Midnapore.
 Babu Kedar Nath Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Pingla, Midnapore.
 Babu Atul Krishna Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Jhargram, Midnapore.
 Babu Nalini Kanta Sinha, Sub-Registrar, Birpur, Midnapore.
 Babu Surendra Chandra Ghose, Sub-Registrar, Narainghar, Midnapore.
 Babu Indu Bhusan Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Debra, Midnapore.
 Babu Som Nath Ray, Sub-Registrar, Jara, Midnapore.
 Babu Sachipati Ray, Sub-Registrar, Ghatal, Midnapore.

Midnapore
South (non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Raman Chandra Banarji, Munsiff, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Bishnupada Ray, Munsiff, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Akshoy Kumar Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Tamluk, Midnapore.
 Babu Rabindra Kumar Bose, Munsiff, Tamluk, Midnapore.
 Rai Sahib Rampada Chatarji, Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
 Babu Satyendra Nath Batabyal, Deputy Collector, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Satish Chandra Mazumdar, Deputy Collector, Tamluk, Midnapore.
 Babu Suresh Chandra Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Madhu Sudan Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Amulya Krishna Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tamluk, Midnapore.
 Babu Jitendriya Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Deb Narayan Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Panskura, Midnapore.
 Babu Upendra Nath Ghatak Sub-Deputy Collector Tamluk, Midnapore.
 Babu Jatindra Kumar Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Bankim Chandra Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Bashudebpur, Midnapore.
 Babu Nripendra Nath Basu, Sub-Registrar, Egra, Midnapore.

Midnapore
(non-muhammadan).

Babu Amode Lal Barman, Sub-Registrar, Khijri, Midnapore.
 Maulvi Abdul Bari, Sub-Registrar, Marisda, Midnapore.
 Babu Jamini Kanta Bakshi, Sub-Registrar, Ramnagar, Midnapore.
 Babu Debesh Chandra Majumdar, Sub-Registrar, Mayna, Midnapore.
 Babu Atul Krishna Ghosh, Sub-Registrar, Panskura, Midnapore.
 Babu Kshirode Chandra Chatarji, Sub-Registrar, Kolaghat, Midnapore.
 Babu Jyotish Chandra Seal, Sub-Registrar, Mohisadal, Midnapore.
 Maulvi Abdus Sobhan Khan, Sub-Registrar, Kukrahati, Midnapore.
 Babu Provash Chandra Majumdar, Sub-Registrar, Norgahat, Midnapore.
 Babu Satish Chandra Sarkar, Sub-Registrar, Nandigram, Midnapore.
 Babu Chandra Kumar Ghose, Sub-Manager, Jalamutha Majnamutha Estates, Bhagwanpur, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Brojendra Kumar Ghose, Sub-Manager, Birbundar, Contai, Midnapore.
 Babu Sasadhar Chatarji, Sub-Manager, Contai, Midnapore.

Hooghly
Municipal (non-muhammadan).

Maulvi Syed-ur-Rahman, Munsiff, Hooghly.
 Babu Khagendra Nath Dutt, Munsiff, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Babu Gyanendra Kanta Nag, Munsiff, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Maulvi Lutfur Rahman, Munsiff, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Mr. Santi Priya Basu, Barrister-at-Law, Munsiff, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Babu Rajani Kumar Ghosh, Munsiff, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Surendra Palit, Munsiff, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Mr. S. K. Haldar, I.C.S., Subdivisional Officer, Serampore.
 Babu Bama Charan Mallik, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Quzi Mahmudur Rahman, Sub-Registrar, Serampore.

Howrah
Municipal (non-muhammadan).

Babu Rajendra Lal Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Howrah.
 Babu Nata Bihari Ghosh, Munsiff, Howrah.
 Babu Jitendra Nath Sen, Munsiff, Howrah.
 Babu Phani Bhusan Chakrabatti, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Bijay Kumar Ganguli, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Khan Bahadur Khundkar Fazlul Haq, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Ambu Nath Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate, Howrah.
 Babu Kshitish Chandra Haldar, Probationary Deputy Collector, Howrah.

Maulvi Syed-ur-Rahman, Munsiff, Hooghly.
 Babu Khagendra Nath Datta, Munsiff, Hooghly.
 Babu Surendra Nath Palit, Munsiff, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Jatindra Nath Mukharji, Munsiff, Howrah.
 Babu Phani Bhusan Banarji, Munsiff, Amta, Howrah.
 Babu Dhirendra Nath Bose, Munsiff, Amta, Howrah.
 Mr. K. C. Chunder, I.C.S., Assistant Magistrate and Collector, Hooghly.
 Mr. S. K. Haldar, I.C.S., Subdivisional Officer, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Mr. Jati Dutt, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Maulvi Abdul Aziz, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Babu Banku Bihari Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector Hooghly.
 Babu Banamali Bagchi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Phakir Chandra Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Jatindra Mohan Banarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Ulubaria, Howrah.
 Babu Bijay Kumar Gangali, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Ambu Nath Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Khan Bahadur Khundkar Fazlul Haq, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Kshitish Chandra Haldar, Probationary Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Maulvi Latif-ur-Rahman, Probationary Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Nripendra Nath Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Babu Bijay Krishna Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Maulvi Din Muhammad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Mr. Alexander Jitendra Lal Mitra, Sub-Deputy Collector, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Babu Karuna Nidhan Ghose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Babu Monmohan Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Babu Tarapada Bhattacharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Radha Raman Singh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Prakash Chandra Dutt, Sub-Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Amulya Charan Dutta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Sharat Chandra Lahiri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Maulvi Muhammad Amjad Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Shyamapada Chaudhuri, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Babu Phani Bhusan Ghosh, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Babu Brindaban Chandra De, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.

Hooghly *cum*
 Howrah Rural
 (non-
 Muhammadan).

Hooghly cum
Howrah, Rural
non-
Muhammadan).

Babu Bama Charan Mallik, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
Maulvi Shaik Mahiuddin, District Sub-Registrar, Hooghly.
Babu Akhil Chandra Ghosh, Sub-Registrar, Dhaniakhali, Hooghly.
Babu Provash Chandra Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Haripal, Hooghly.
Babu Kunja Bihari Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Janai, Hooghly.
Shahebjada Fateh Muhammad, Sub-Registrar, Jangipara, Hooghly.
Babu Shib Chandra Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Arambagh, Hooghly.
Qazi Mahmudur Rahman, Sub-Registrar Serampore, Hooghly.
Maulvi Irtuz Husain, Sub-Registrar, Goghat, Hooghly.
Babu Sachindra Nath Ghosh, Sub-Registrar, Khanakul, Hooghly.

Hooghly cum
Howrah
Municipal
Muhammadan).

Maulvi Syed-ur-Rahman, Munsiff, Hooghly.
Babu Khagendra Nath Dutt, Munsiff, Hooghly.
Babu Gyanendra Kanta Nag, Munsiff, Serampore, Hooghly.
Maulvi Lutfur Rahman, Munsiff, Serampore, Hooghly.
Mr. Santi Priya Basu, Bar-at-Law, Munsiff, Serampore, Hooghly.
Babu Rajani Kumar Ghosh, Munsiff, Arambagh, Hooghly.
Babu Surendra Nath Palit, Munsiff, Arambagh, Hooghly.
Mr. S. K. Haldar, I.C.S., Subdivisional Officer, Serampore.
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Babu Nata Bihari Ghosh, Munsiff, Howrah.
Babu Jitendra Nath Sen, Munsiff, Howrah.
Babu Phani Bhusan Chakrabatti, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
Babu Bijay Kumar Ganguli, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
Khan Bahadur Khundkar Fuzlul Haq, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
Babu Bama Charan Mallik, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
Quazi Mahmudur Rahman, Sub-Registrar, Serampore.
Babu Ambu Nath Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate, Howrah.
Babu Kshitish Chandra Haldar, Probationary Deputy Collector.

Burdwan
Division North
Muhammadan).

Babu Hem Chandra Mitra, Munsiff, Burdwan.
Babu Indu Sekhar Bose, Munsiff, Burdwan.
Babu Satya Prasanna Mazumdar, Munsiff, Burdwan.
Babu Gopal Chandra Basu, Munsiff, Asansol, Burdwan.
Babu Gajanan Banarji, Munsiff, Katwa, Burdwan.
Babu Amulya Gopal Roy, Munsiff, Kalna, Burdwan.
Babu Atul Chandra Guha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Asansol, Burdwan.
Babu Bhujendra Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.
Babu Gyanendra Mohon Chaudhuri, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Babu Girish Chandra Sen, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Kalna, Burdwan.

Babu Satish Chandra Upadhyay, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Katwa, Burdwan.

Babu Hem Kumar Mallik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Babu Dakshina Ranjan Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Mr. A. De C. Williams, I.C.S., Joint Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Asansol, Burdwan.

Mr. Vernon Mackie Bonarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Asansol, Burdwan.

Babu Abhay Charan Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Burdwan.

Babu Aswini Kumar Gangali, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Raona Circle, Burdwan.

Babu Surendra Nath Banarji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Memari Circle, Burdwan.

Babu Sailesh Nath Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Kalna, Burdwan.

Maulvi Ali Ashgar, Sub-Deputy Collector, Kalna, Burdwan.

Babu Birendra Lal Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Katwa, Burdwan.

Babu Bankim Bihari Mitra, Sub-Deputy Collector, Asansol, Burdwan.

Maulvi Abdur Rashid, District Sub-Registrar, Burdwan.

Babu Janaki Prasad Aich, Sub-Registrar, Katwa, Burdwan.

Babu Bimalapada Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Purbasthali, Burdwan.

Babu Hari Charan Bose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Birbhum.

Babu Sukesh Chandra Deb Roy, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Birbhum.

Mr. Satyendra Nath Mustafi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Rampurhat, Birbhum.

Babu Nalini Ranjan Raha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Birbhum.

Babu Bimal Chandra Chatarji, Munsiff, Bolpur, Birbhum.

Babu Upendra Chandra Ghose, Munsiff, Rampurhat, Birbhum.

Babu Manoranjan Ray, Munsiff, Suri, Birbhum.

Babu Hira Lal Mukharji, Munsiff, Bolpur, Birbhum.

Babu Kali Prasanna Bagchi, Munsiff, Dubrajpur, Birbhum.

Babu Mahatap Chandra Ghosh, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Suri, Birbhum.

Maulvi Ahmad Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Dubrajpur, Birbhum.

Mr. Surendra Nath Bhattacharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, and Circle Officer, Bolpur, Birbhum.

Babu Umesh Chandra Sil, Sub-Deputy Collector, Birbhum.

Babu Dilip Chandra Dhar, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Rampurhat, Birbhum.

Babu Gadadhar Singh Roy, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Rampurhat, Birbhum.

Maulvi Amir Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector, Rampurhat, Birbhum.

Babu Charu Chandra Mitra, District Sub-Registrar, Birbhum.

Burdwan
Division North
(Muhammadan.)

Babu Satish Chandra Gupta, Sub-Registrar, Dubrajpur, Birbhum.
 Babu Jitendra Nath Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Bolpur, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Syed Zaki Reza, Sub-Registrar, Rampurhat, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Kamarazzaman, Sub-Registrar, Nalhati, Birbhum.
 Maulvi Aga Ali Ahmad Siraji, Sub-Registrar, Labpur, Birbhum.
 Babu Jitendra Kumar Biswas, Munsiff, Bankura.
 Mr. Baidya Nath Ghatak, Retired District and Sessions Judge.
 Babu Barada Prasad Ray, Retired Sub-Judge.
 Rai Sahib Bama Charan Ray, Chairman, District Board, Bankura.
 Babu Sharat Chandra Mukharji, Munsiff, Khatra, Bankura.
 Maulvi Syed Izhar Hassan, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bankura.
 Rai Sahib Bhupendra Nath Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Bankura.
 Babu Ashutosh Chaudhuri, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Bankura Circle, Bankura.
 Babu Amar Nath Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Gangajalghat, Bankura.
 Babu Dharendra Nath Banarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Onda, Bankura.
 Babu Bireswar Sanyal, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Khatra, Bankura.
 Babu Surendra Gopal Mitra, District Sub-Registrar, Bankura.
 Babu Kirtibas Bose, Sub-Registrar, Raipur, Bankura.
 Babu Satchidananda Das Gupta, Munsiff, Vishnupur, Bankura.
 Babu Prafulla Chandra Ghose, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Vishnupur, Bankura.
 Babu Bijay Gobinda Ghosal, Sub-Deputy Collector, Vishnupur, Bankura.
 Babu Nut Bihari Chatarji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Vishnupur, Bankura.
 Maulvi A. K. M. Abdul Latif, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Patrasair, Bankura.
 Babu Kamakhya Kumar Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Sonamukhi, Bankura.
 Babu Atul Chandra Baksi, Sub-Registrar, Indas, Bankura.
 Babu Lakhminarayan Pathak, Sub-Registrar, Kotalpur, Bankura.

Burdwan
 Division North
 (Muhammadan).

Babu Atul Chandra Das Gupta, Munsiff, Midnapore.
 Babu Janaki Nath Mukharji, Munsiff, Garbeta, Midnapore.
 Babu Dharendra Kumar Mukharji, Munsiff, Danton, Midnapore.
 Babu Rash Bihari Mukharji, Munsiff, Ghatal, Midnapore.
 Maulvi Mirza Shigufta Bakht, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
 Maulvi Muhammad Quamaruddin, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.
 Babu Surendra Mohon Bhowmik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.

Burdwan
 Division South
 (Muhammadan).

Burdwan
Division South
(Muhammadan)

Babu Surendra Mohan Bhowmik, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.

Babu Satamanyu Mukharji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.

Babu Binal Chandra Sinha, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Midnapore.

Mr. Dharendra Lal De, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Ghatal, Midnapore.

Babu Ananga Mohan Chakrabatti, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Midnapore.

Babu Tamasha Ranjan Dutt, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Midnapore.

Babu Nirmal Kumar Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Chandrakona, Midnapore.

Maulvi Khalil Ahmad, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Pingla, Midnapore.

Babu Surendra Nath Banarji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Ghatal, Midnapore.

Babu Shib Charan Mitter, Sub-Deputy Collector, Ghatal, Midnapore.

Babu Sudhir Chandra Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Garbeta, Midnapore.

Babu Kailash Chandra Bhuia, Sub-Registrar, Danton, Midnapore.

Babu Kanti Chandra Pal, Sub-Registrar, Mohanpur, Midnapore.

Maulvi Abdul Faiz, Sub-Registrar, Gopiballavpur, Midnapore.

Babu Kedar Nath Mitra, Sub-Registrar, Pingla, Midnapore.

Babu Atul Krishna Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Jhargram, Midnapore.

Babu Nalini Kanta Sinha, Sub-Registrar, Birpur, Midnapore.

Babu Surendra Chandra Ghose, Sub-Registrar, Narainghar, Midnapore.

Babu Indu Bhusan Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Debra, Midnapore.

Babu Some Nath Roy, Sub-Registrar, Jara, Midnapore.

Babu Sachipati Ray, Sub-Registrar, Ghatal, Midnapore.

Babu Raman Chandra Banarji, Munsiff, Contai, Midnapore.

Babu Bishnupada Roy, Munsiff, Contai, Midnapore.

Babu Akshoy Kumar Chakrabatti, Munsiff, Tamluk, Midnapore.

Babu Rabindra Kumar Bose, Munsiff, Tamluk, Midnapore.

Rai Sahib Rampada Chatarji, Deputy Collector, Midnapore.

Babu Satyendra Nath Batabyal, Deputy Collector, Contai, Midnapore.

Babu Satish Chandra Mazumdar, Deputy Collector, Tamluk, Midnapore.

Babu Suresh Chandra Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Contai, Midnapore.

Babu Madhu Sudan Gupta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Contai, Midnapore.

Babu Amulya Krishna Datta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tamluk, Midnapore.

Babu Jitendriya Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Contai, Midnapore.

Babu Deb Narayan Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector and Circle Officer, Panskura, Midnapore.

Babu Upendra Nath Ghatak, Sub-Deputy Collector, Tamluk, Midnapore.

Babu Jatindra Kumar Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Contai, Midnapore.

- Babu Bankim Chandra Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Bashudebpur, Midnapore.
- Babu Nripendra Nath Basu, Sub-Registrar, Egra, Midnapore.
- Babu Amode Lal Barman, Sub-Registrar, Khijri, Midnapore.
- Maulvi Abdul Bari, Sub-Registrar, Marisda, Midnapore.
- Babu Jamini Kanta Bakshi, Sub-Registrar, Ramnagar, Midnapore.
- Babu Debesh Chandra Majumdar, Sub-Registrar, Mayna, Midnapore.
- Babu Atul Krishna Ghosh, Sub-Registrar, Panskura, Midnapore.
- Babu Kshirode Chandra Chatarji, Sub-Registrar, Kolaghat, Midnapore.
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- Maulvi Abdus Sobhan Khan, Sub-Registrar, Kukrahati, Midnapore.
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- Babu Sasadhar Chatarji, Sub-Manager, Contai, Midnapore.
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- Babu Khagendra Nath Datta, Munsiff, Hooghly.
- Babu Surendra Nath Palit, Munsiff, Arambagh, Hooghly.
- Babu Jatindra Nath Mukharji, Munsiff, Howrah.
- Babu Phani Bhusan Banarji, Munsiff, Amta, Howrah.
- Babu Dharendra Nath Bose, Munsiff, Amta, Howrah.
- Mr. K. C. Chunder, I.C.S., Assistant Magistrate and Collector, Hooghly.
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- Mr. Jati Dutt, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
- Maulvi Abdul Aziz, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
- Babu Banku Bihari Ghosh, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
- Babu Banamali Bagchi, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
- Babu Phakir Chandra Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
- Babu Jatindra Mohon Banarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Ulubaria, Howrah.
- Babu Bijay Kumar Gangali, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
- Babu Ambu Nath Chatarji, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
- Khan Bahadur Khundkar Fazlul Haq, Deputy Magistrate and Deputy Collector, Howrah.
- Babu Kshitish Chandra Haldar, Probationary Deputy Collector, Howrah.
- Maulvi Latif-ur-Rahman, Probationary Deputy Collector, Howrah.
- Babu Nripendra Nath Ray, Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
- Babu Bijay Krishna Sen, Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
- Maulvi Din Muhammad, Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
- Mr. Alexander Jitendra Lal Mitra, Sub-Deputy Collector, Serampore, Hooghly.

Burdwan
Division South
(Muhammadan).

Babu Karuna Nidhan Ghose, Sub-Deputy Collector, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Babu Monmohon Mukharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Babu Tarapada Bhattacharji, Sub-Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Radha Raman Singh, Sub-Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Prakash Chandra Dutt, Sub-Deputy Collector, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Babu Amulya Charan Dutta, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Sharat Chandra Lahiri, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Maulvi Muhammad Amjad Ali, Sub-Deputy Collector, Howrah.
 Babu Shyamapada Chaudhuri, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Babu Phani Bhusan Ghosh, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Babu Brindaban Chandra De, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Babu Bama Charan Mallik, Probationary Sub-Deputy Collector, Hooghly.
 Maulvi Shaik Mahiuddin, District Sub-Registrar, Hooghly.
 Babu Akhil Chandra Ghosh, Sub-Registrar, Dhaniakhali, Hooghly.
 Babu Provash Chandra Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Haripal, Hooghly.
 Babu Kunja Bihari Mukharji, Sub-Registrar, Janai, Hooghly.
 Shahebjada Fateh Muhammad, Sub-Registrar, Jangipara, Hooghly.
 Babu Shib Chandra Banarji, Sub-Registrar, Arambagh, Hooghly.
 Qazi Mahmudur Rahman, Sub-Registrar, Serampore, Hooghly.
 Maulvi Irtuz Husain, Sub-Registrar, Goghat, Hooghly.
 Babu Sachindra Nath Ghosh, Sub-Registrar, Khanakul, Hooghly.

Calcutta North (non-Muhammadan).

Calcutta North-West (non-Muhammadan).

Calcutta East (non-Muhammadan)

Calcutta North Central (non-Muhammadan).

Calcutta South Central (non-Muhammadan).

Calcutta South (non-Muhammadan).

Calcutta North (Muhammadan).

Calcutta South (Muhammadan.)

Mr. J. G. Dunlop, i.c.s., Collector of Calcutta.

Rai Priya Nath Mookerjee Bahadur, late Inspector-General of Registration Bengal.

Rai Surendra Nath Mitra Bahadur, late Under Secretary to the Government of Bengal in the Finance Department and now a Municipal Commissioner.

Rai Jogendra Nath Mitra Bahadur, retired District and Sessions Judge.

Mr. Debendra Prasad Bagchi, retired District and Sessions Judge.

Babu Biroja Chandra Mitra, retired Sub-Judge.

Nawab A. F. M. Abdur Rahman Khan Bahadur, late Judge, Small Cause Court Calcutta.

Khan Bahadur Abdus Salam, late a Presidency Magistrate Calcutta.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Government of Bengal.

The following notification, issued by the Government of India in the Legislative Department, published in the *Gazette of India Extraordinary*, dated the 11th of August, 1920, is republished for general information.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

Simla, 11th August, 1920.

No. 107.—Under sub-section (2) of rule 9 and rule 13 of the Legislative Assembly Rules, the Governor General in Council is pleased to direct that the following modifications shall be made in the Regulations framed under sub-rule (2) of rule 9 and sub-rule (1) of rule 13 of the Bengal Electoral Rules in order to adapt them for the purpose of election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, and further to direct that the said Regulations as so modified shall be subject to such further alterations not affecting the substance as may be necessary or proper to adapt them for the said purpose:—

1. In Regulation II—

- (a) sub-clause (a) of clause (2) shall be omitted, and sub-clauses (b) and (c) shall be re-lettered (a) and (b);
- (b) for clause (3) the following shall be substituted, namely:—“(3) the landholders’ constituency, by such officer as the local Government, by notification in the local official Gazette, may appoint;” and
- (c) clause (4) shall be omitted, and clause (5) shall be re-numbered (4) and in that clause as so renumbered for the words “a commerce and industry” the words “an Indian Commerce” shall be substituted.

2. In Regulation VI—

- (a) in clause (3) for the words “European or Anglo-Indian” the words “or European” shall be substituted, and
- (b) in clause (4) for the words “A University or Commerce and Industry” the words “An Indian Commerce” shall be substituted.

3. For the heading before Regulation XXXIX the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“Special Regulations applicable to Indian Commerce Constituencies”

4. In Regulation XXXIX, for the words “a University or Commerce and Industry” the words “an Indian Commerce” shall be substituted.

5. In Regulation XL—

- (a) in paragraph 2, the words “to the address of the elector as shown in the electoral roll or in the case of a Commerce and industry constituency”, and
- (b) in paragraph 3, the words “and, in the case of a University constituency, in Form V annexed to these regulations”, shall be omitted.

6. Regulation XLI shall be omitted, and Regulations XLII to LXIX shall be renumbered XLI to LXVIII, respectively.

7. In Regulation XLII as renumbered, the words “or in the case of a University constituency, on which the signature of the elector is not duly attested” shall be omitted.

8. In the heading before Regulation XLV as renumbered, for the words "Landholders' constituencies" the words "Landholders' constituency" shall be substituted.
9. In Regulation XLV as renumbered, for the words "a landholders'" the words "the landholders'" shall be substituted.
10. In Regulation XLVI as renumbered, for the word and figure "Form VI" the word and figure "Form V" shall be substituted.
11. In Regulation L as renumbered, for the word and figure "Form VII" the word and figure "Form VI" shall be substituted.
12. In Regulation LII as renumbered, in clause (3) of clause (c) for the words "names of the persons" the words "name of the person" shall be substituted.
13. In Regulation LIII as renumbered, for the figure "XLVII" the figure "XLVI" and for the figure "XLVIII" the figure "XLVII" shall be substituted.
14. In the heading before Regulation LIV as renumbered and in that Regulation for the words "Presidency and Burdwan" the word "Bengal" shall be substituted.
15. In Regulation LVI as renumbered, for the word and figure "Form VIII" the word and figure "Form VII" shall be substituted.
16. In clause (2) of Regulation LXV as renumbered, for the figure "LXIV" the figure "LXIII" shall be substituted.
17. Form V shall be omitted, and Forms VI, VII and VIII shall be renumbered V, VI and VII respectively.
18. In Form V as renumbered, for the word and figure within brackets "Regulation XLVII" the word and figure "Regulation XLVI" shall be substituted.
19. In Form VI as renumbered, for the word and figure "Regulation LI" the word and figure "Regulation L" shall be substituted.
20. In Form VII as renumbered, for the word and figure "Regulation LVII" the word and figure "Regulation LVI" shall be substituted.

S. P. O'DONNELL,

Secretary to the Govt. of India.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1773 A.R.—The 11th August 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (1) of Regulation I of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India, Legislative Department, No. 107, dated 11th August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint for the constituencies of the Legislative Assembly specified below the returning officer noted against each:—

- (1) The Calcutta (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Chairman of the Calcutta Corporation.
- (2) The Calcutta and Suburbs (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Magistrate of the district of Howrah.
- (3) The Burdwan Division (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Burdwan Division.
- (4) The Presidency Division (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Presidency Division.
- (5) The Dacca Division (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Dacca Division.
- (6) The Chittagong and Rajshahi Divisions (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Rajshahi Division.
- (7) The Calcutta and Suburbs (Muhammadan) constituency—The Chairman of the Calcutta Corporation.
- (8) The Burdwan and Calcutta Presidency Divisions (Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Presidency Division.
- (9) The Dacca Division (Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Dacca Division.
- (10) The Chittagong Division (Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Chittagong Division.
- (11) The Rajshahi Division (Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Rajshahi Division.
- (12) The Bengal (European) constituency—Mr. H. E. Spry, I.C.S., Additional Secretary to the Government of Bengal.
- (13) The Bengal Landholders' constituency—Member, Board of Revenue, Bengal.
- (14) The Bengal National Chamber of Commerce constituency—The Secretary of the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1774 A.R.—The 11th August 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clauses (2) (b) (3) and (4) of Regulation II of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India, Legislative Department, No. 107, dated 11th August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint for the constituencies of the Legislative Assembly specified below the registering authority noted against each:—

- (1) The Calcutta Suburbs (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Magistrate of the district of Howrah.
- (2) The Chittagong and Rajshahi Divisions (non-Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Rajshahi Division.
- (3) The Calcutta and Suburbs (Muhammadan) constituency—The Chairman of the Calcutta Corporation.
- (4) The Burdwan and Calcutta Presidency Divisions (Muhammadan) constituency—The Commissioner of the Presidency Division.
- (5) The Bengal European constituency—Member, Board of Revenue, Bengal.
- (6) The Bengal Landholders' constituency—Member, Board of Revenue, Bengal.
- (7) The Bengal National Chamber of Commerce constituency—The Secretary of the Bengal National Chamber of Commerce.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 1775 A. R.—The 11th August 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of Regulation I of the Bengal Electoral Regulations as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India. Legislative Department, No. 107, dated 11th August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that the revising authorities appointed under notification No. 1648 A.R., dated the 7th August 1920, for the constituencies of the Bengal Legislative Council that are noted against each of the constituencies of the Legislative Assembly specified below shall be the revising authorities for each such constituency:—

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| 1. Calcutta (non-Muhammadan) | Calcutta North (non-Muhammadan)
Calcutta North-West (non-Muhammadan).
Calcutta East (non-Muhammadan).
Calcutta North Central (non-Muhammadan).
Calcutta South Central (non-Muhammadan).
Calcutta South (non-Muhammadan). |
| 2. Calcutta Suburbs (non-Muhammadan). | Hooghly Municipal (non-Muhammadan).
Howrah Municipal (non-Muhammadan).
24-Parganas Municipal North (non-Muhammadan).
24-Parganas Municipal South (non-Muhammadan). |
| 3. Presidency Division (non-Muhammadan). | 24-Parganas Rural Central (non-Muhammadan).
24-Parganas Rural South (non-Muhammadan).
24-Parganas Rural North (non-Muhammadan).
Nadia (non-Muhammadan).
Murshidabad (non-Muhammadan).
Jessore North (non-Muhammadan).
Jessore South (non-Muhammadan).
Khulna (non-Muhammadan). |
| 4. Burdwan Division (non-Muhammadan). | Burdwan (non-Muhammadan).
Birbhum (non-Muhammadan).
Bankura West (non-Muhammadan).
Bankura East (non-Muhammadan).
Midnapore North (non-Muhammadan).
Midnapore South (non-Muhammadan).
Hooghly cum Howrah Rural (non-Muhammadan). |

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| 5. Dacca Division (non-Muhammadan). | Dacca City (non-Muhammadan).
Dacca Rural (non-Muhammadan).
Mymensingh West (non-Muhammadan).
Mymensingh East (non-Muhammadan).
Faridpur North (non-Muhammadan).
Faridpur South (non-Muhammadan).
Bakarganj North (non-Muhammadan).
Bakarganj South (non-Muhammadan). |
| 6. Chittagong and Rajshahi Divisions (non-Muhammadan). | Chittagong (non-Muhammadan).
Tippera (non-Muhammadan).
Noakhali (non-Muhammadan).
Rajshahi (non-Muhammadan).
Dinajpur (non-Muhammadan).
Rangpur (non-Muhammadan).
Bogra <i>cum</i> Pabna (non-Muhammadan).
Malda (non-Muhammadan).
Jalpaiguri (non-Muhammadan). |
| 7. Calcutta and Suburbs (Muhammadan). | Calcutta North (Muhammadan).
Calcutta South (Muhammadan).
Hooghly <i>cum</i> Howrah Municipal (Muhammadan).
24-Parganas Municipal North (Muhammadan).
24-Parganas Municipal South (Muhammadan). |
| 8. Burdwan and Calcutta Presidency Divisions (Muhammadan). | Burdwan Division North (Muhammadan).
Burdwan Division South (Muhammadan).
24-Parganas Rural (Muhammadan).
Nadia (Muhammadan).
Murshidabad (Muhammadan).
Jessore North (Muhammadan).
Jessore South (Muhammadan).
Khulna (Muhammadan). |

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| 9. Dacca Division (Muhammadan). | Dacca City (Muhammadan).
Dacca West Rural (Muhammadan).
Dacca East Rural (Muhammadan).
Mymensingh West (Muhammadan).
Mymensingh East (Muhammadan).
Faridpur North (Muhammadan).
Faridpur South (Muhammadan).
Bakarganj North (Muhammadan).
Bakarganj West (Muhammadan).
Bakarganj South (Muhammadan). |
| 10. Chittagong Division (Muhammadan). | Chittagong (Muhammadan).
Tippera (Muhammadan).
Noakhali (Muhammadan). |
| 11. Rajshahi Division (Muhammadan). | Rajshahi South (Muhammadan).
Rajshahi North (Muhammadan).
Dinajpur (Muhammadan).
Rangpur West (Muhammadan).
Rangpur East (Muhammadan).
Bogra (Muhammadan).
Pabna (Muhammadan).
Malda <i>cum</i> Jalpaiguri (Muhammadan). |

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.



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TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1920.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Political.

The following notification, issued by the Government of India in the Foreign and Political Department, published in the *Gazette of India Extraordinary*, dated the 18th August 1920, is republished for general information.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 303-R.

Simla, the 18th August 1920.

The following Royal Proclamation by His Imperial Majesty the King-Emperor, dated the 18th August 1920, is published for general information:—

BY

The King-Emperor

A ROYAL PROCLAMATION.

GEORGE V, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.—To My Viceroy and Governor-General, to the Princes of Indian States, and to all My subjects in India, of whatsoever race or creed, GREETING.

In OUR message to you of December 23rd, 1919, We assured you of our affection and good-will and of the deep interest with which We welcomed the coming stage of political development in India. As a signal token of OUR interest and regard WE expressed OUR hope that OUR DEAR SON, the

PRINCE OF WALES, would visit India next winter and inaugurate on OUR behalf both the reformed Legislatures and the Chamber of Princes. That hope unhappily cannot be realised. The unceasing and devoted labours of OUR SON in other parts of OUR EMPIRE have laid so heavy a burden upon his strength that it would not be possible for him at so early a date to undertake another protracted and arduous journey without assured danger to his health.

WE have accordingly decided that his visit to India must for the present be deferred. To this decision WE have come with grave reluctance and with a full appreciation of the disappointment which it will cause to the Princes and peoples of India; but WE are confident that they will share OUR anxiety to safeguard the health of OUR DEAR SON.

It is OUR full intention that the PRINCE OF WALES shall make himself personally acquainted with OUR Indian Empire, its loyal peoples, and its many interests; and we propose that, if he has by then recovered from the fatigues of his present labours, the visit now postponed shall be accomplished in the winter of next year.

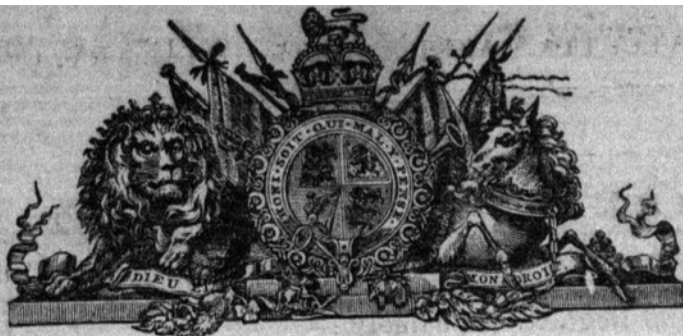
Meanwhile, it remains OUR desire to mark in a special manner OUR sense of the momentous step which India is now taking towards greater constitutional freedom.

Although it has not pleased Providence that OUR DEAR SON should carry OUR GREETINGS on this occasion, WE shall send in his stead OUR UNCLE, HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS FIELD-MARSHAL THE DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, to inaugurate on OUR behalf the Chamber of Princes, the Council of State and Indian Legislative Assembly, to take his part in other ceremonies which he would have performed, and to convey to the Princes and peoples of India the messages which it had been OUR hope to entrust to him.

By Order,

J. B. WOOD,

*Political Secretary to the Government of India,
in the Foreign and Political Department.*



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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1920.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

APPOINTMENT DEPARTMENT.

Reforms.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3449 A.R.D.—The 25th October 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by rule 9 (2), the proviso to rule 12 (5) and rule 13 of the Bengal Electoral Rules the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following additional regulation for the election of members of the Bengal Legislative Council :—

LXX. If any question arises as to the interpretation of these regulations, otherwise than in connection with an election enquiry held, under the electoral rules, the question shall be referred for the decision of the Governor, and his decision shall be final.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3550 A.R.D.—The 25th October 1920.—Whereas a question has arisen as to the interpretation of regulation XVII (2) of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, His Excellency the Governor, under regulation LXX of the said regulations, is pleased to decide that a nomination paper signed by a duly qualified attorney on behalf of a candidate, shall, for the purpose of regulation XVII (2) be held to be signed by the candidate himself as assenting to his nomination.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3551 A.R.D.—The 25th October 1920.—Whereas a question has arisen as to the interpretation of regulation XVII (4) of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, His Excellency the Governor, under regulation LXX of the said regulations, is pleased to decide that a nomination paper, otherwise valid under regulation XVII, shall be held to be correctly attested, if the attesting officer is satisfied that the signatures of the candidate, his proposer and seconder are *bona fide*, whether any or all of such signatures have been made in his presence or not.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3909 A.R.D.—The 26th October 1920.—In modification of notification No. 1640 A.R. of the 6th August 1920 and in exercise of the powers conferred by rule 9 (2) of the Bengal Electoral Rules, the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that the following shall be substituted for regulation VIII of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, namely :—

“VIII. All such claims and objections to the roll shall be made in writing within fifteen days from the publication of the roll under regulation VI, and where objection is made to the inclusion in the roll of any person whose name appears therein shall give in respect of such person all the particulars entered in the roll: Provided that if it appears necessary for the proper preparation of the roll, the local Government may, by notification in the local official gazette, prescribe a longer period within which claims and objections shall be preferred in respect of the electoral roll of any constituency.”

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3910 A.R.D.—The 26th October 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation VIII of the Bengal Electoral Regulations the Governor in Council is pleased to prescribe the 10th November 1920 as the latest date by which claims and objections shall be preferred in respect of the electoral roll of the Presidency and Burdwan European constituency of the Bengal Legislative Council.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3911 A.R.D.—The 26th October 1920.—In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation VIII of the Bengal Electoral Regulations as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India, Legislative Department, No. 107, dated the 11th August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, the Governor in Council is pleased to prescribe the 10th November 1920 as the latest date by which claims and objections shall be preferred in respect of the electoral roll of the Bengal European constituency.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3912 A.R.D.—The 26th October 1920.—In modification of notification No. 3128 A.R.D. of the 5th October 1920, and in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation XVI of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the 15th November 1920 as the date by which nomination papers of candidates for election by the Presidency and Burdwan European constituency shall reach the returning officer.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3913A.R.D.—The 26th October 1920.—In modification of notification No. 3117A.R.D. of the 5th October 1920, and in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation XVI of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India, Legislative Department, No. 107, dated the 11th August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the 15th November 1920 as the date by which nomination papers of candidates for election by the Bengal European constituency shall reach the returning officer.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3914A.R.D.—The 26th October 1920.—In modification of notification No. 1961A.R. of the 21st August 1920, and in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of regulation I of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. J. A. L. Swan, I.C.S., to be a revising authority for the Presidency and Burdwan European constituency.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 3915A.R.D.—The 26th October 1920.—In modification of notification No. 1960A.R. of the 21st August 1920, and in exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of regulation I of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India, Legislative Department, No. 107, dated the 11th August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. J. A. L. Swan, I.C.S., to be a revising authority for the Bengal European constituency.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.



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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1920.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

APPOINTMENT DEPARTMENT.

Reforms.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 2124A.R.—The 1st November 1920.—In modification of notification No. 3128A.R.D. of the 5th October 1920, and in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation XVI of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the 15th November 1920 as the date by which the nomination papers of candidates for election by the constituencies of the Bengal Legislative Council shall reach the returning officer.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 2125A.R.—The 1st November 1920.—In modification of notification No. 3117A.R.D. of the 5th October 1920, and in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation XVI of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India, Legislative Department, No. 107, dated the 11th August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Legislative Assembly, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the 15th November 1920 as the date by which nomination papers of candidates for election by the constituencies of the Legislative Assembly in Bengal shall reach the returning officer.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 2126A.R.—The 1st November 1920.—In modification of notification No. 3113A.R.D. of the 5th October 1920, and in exercise of the powers conferred by regulation XVI of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, as modified and adapted by the notification of the Government of India, Legislative Department, No. 108, dated the 21st August 1920, for the purpose of the election of members from the Presidency of Bengal to the Council of State, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint the 15th November 1920 as the date by which nomination papers of candidates for election by the constituencies of the Council of State in Bengal shall reach the returning officer.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 2127A.R.—*The 1st November 1920.*—In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation VIII of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the Governor in Council is pleased to prescribe the 10th November 1920 as the latest date by which claims and objections shall be preferred in respect of the electoral roll of each of the following constituencies of the Bengal Legislative Council, namely :—

- (1) The Dacca and Chittagong European constituency.
- (2) The Rajshahi European constituency.
- (3) The Anglo-Indian constituency.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

NOTIFICATION.

No. 2128A.R.—*The 1st November 1920.*—In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (2) of regulation I of the Bengal Electoral Regulations, the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Mr. J. A. L. Swan, I.C.S., to be a revising authority for the Anglo-Indian constituency.

H. L. STEPHENSON,
Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.



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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1920.

GOVERNMENT OF BENGAL.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Political.

The following Resolution issued by the Government of India in the Home Department, published in the *Gazette of India Extraordinary*, dated the 6th November 1920, is republished for general information.

H. L. STEPHENSON,

Chief Secy. to the Govt. of Bengal.

RESOLUTION.

POLITICAL.

No. 4484.

Simla, the 6th November 1920.

In view of recent events the Governor-General in Council considers that it is necessary to make a further declaration of the attitude and policy of the Government of India towards the non-co-operation movement, not only for the guidance of Local Governments and Administrations, but also for the information of the people of India. At the opening of the autumn session of the Imperial Legislative Council, His Excellency the Viceroy explained the policy which the Government of India have, up to date, followed in this matter. Although in their opinion the movement is unconstitutional, in that it has as its object the paralysis and subversion of the existing administration of the country, Government have hitherto refrained from instituting criminal proceedings, or taking any other action against those of its promoters who have advocated simultaneously with non-co-operation abstention from violence, and they have instructed Local Governments to take action against those persons only who, in furtherance of the movement, have gone beyond the limits originally set by its organisers, and have by speech or writing openly incited the public to violence, or have attempted to tamper with the loyalty of the army or of the police. In adopting this policy Government have been influenced by several considerations.

In the first place they have been reluctant to interfere with the liberty of speech and the freedom of the Press at a time when India is on the threshold of a great advance towards the realisation of the principle of self-government within the Empire, when indeed the first elections are already in sight. In recognition of that advance, and in pursuance of the spirit of the King-Emperor's Proclamation of December last, they extended his Majesty's clemency to many hundreds of political offenders who were then in custody, and they have since released from the restrictions of the Press Act numerous papers which were formerly held to security. Although these concessions have in many cases failed to evoke any response or recognition, the Government are loth to reimpose restrictions which have so lately been relaxed.

In the second place Government are at all times reluctant to embark on a campaign against individuals, some of whom may be actuated by honest, if misguided, motives. This consideration is reinforced by the knowledge that such action, even if it took the form of prosecution under the ordinary criminal law, would be likely to give those against whom it might be directed the opportunity of posing as martyrs, and might also, by evoking false sympathy, swell the number of adherents to a cause which has in itself no intrinsic merit to commend it to public acceptance.

The third and, chief consideration, however, which has influenced the Government of India is their trust in the commonsense of India, their belief that the sanity of the classes and the masses alike would reject non-co-operation as a visionary and chimerical scheme, which, if successful, could only result in widespread disorder, political chaos, and the ruin of all those who have any real stake in the country. The appeal of non-co-operation is to prejudice and ignorance, and its creed is devoid of any constructive genius. India has had bitter experience of the fruits of its forerunner, the "Satyagraha" cult, and the Governor-General in Council still hopes that with that lamentable warning before her eyes, India will reject the much greater peril of non-co-operation. Its principal exponents have frankly avowed that their object is to destroy the present Government—"to dig up the foundations of the British Government in India," and they have promised their followers that if only their gospel be generally accepted India shall be self-governing and independent within one year. The full consummation of their hopes would leave India defenceless alike against foreign aggression and internal chaos. All the benefits of a stable Government and undisturbed peace, the results that have been attained by the orderly progress of India for more than a century, and the still greater results which, it is hoped, will attend her advance under the Reforms Scheme, her material prosperity and her political progress, are all to be sacrificed to the irresponsible caprice of a few misguided men.

The confidence of Government in the good sense of India has already been in a great measure justified by the unanimity of her best minds in their condemnation of the folly of non-co-operation, for a most weighty body of educated opinion has rejected this new doctrine as one that is fraught with the most mischievous potentialities for India. But having failed to secure a favourable verdict from educated India, the leaders of the movement have now been driven to increase the violence of their appeal to the masses and to endeavour to enlist under the banner of non-co-operation the sympathy and assistance of immature school boys and college students. Herein lie two great dangers for India, which have compelled Government to place the issues plainly before the country in the hope that its most enlightened and stable elements may clearly recognise the necessity of vigorous and united action to prevent any further extension of the mischief.

On these two latest developments the most immoral is undoubtedly the mischievous attack which has been made on the youth of the country, who are to be sacrificed to the exigencies of a political campaign. It matters not to the leaders of the movement if the foundations of home life are sapped and children set against their parents and teachers, provided their own ends are attained and the success of their campaign assured.

The appeal to the illiterate and the ignorant is also fraught with very grave danger—it has already resulted in at least one deplorable crime—and it is certain that the restless activity of the leaders who wander from one city to another stirring up excitement amongst the masses by inflammatory speeches and by the reiteration of false statements, despite constant contradiction, may at any moment result in serious outbreaks of disorder.

The best weapon to combat both dangers lies in the practical help and sympathy of sober-minded and moderate men, and Government therefore call on all who have the good of India at heart to organise themselves and take concerted measures to assist the cause of law and order by active opposition to the movement, by the exercise of their influence over the minds of the ignorant and the immature, and by public exposure and denunciation of the evils of non-co-operation and of the anarchy to which it must inevitably lead. Government appreciate the action which has already been taken in this direction by men of liberal opinion and moderate mind throughout India, and they congratulate the country more particularly on the manifestations of public displeasure which have occurred in regard to the mischievous attack on education. The opposition which has been offered to this phase of the movement by the Trustees of the M. A. O. College at Aligarh, by the authorities of the Khalsa College at Amritsar, by many other school authorities, by the great majority of teachers and parents, and also by large sections of the student community itself, is indeed a most hopeful feature in the situation.

Government realise that it is to enlightened public opinion they must chiefly trust for a dissipation of the danger that now envelops India, as it is on that same public opinion that India's political future must depend. It is in this trust that they have refrained in the past, so far as is consistent with the public safety, from repressive action, for they consider that such action should only be employed in the last resort, when indeed failure to adopt it would be a criminal betrayal of the people. How long, with due regard to their ultimate responsibility for the public safety, Government will be able to maintain that policy, will depend largely on the success which attends the efforts of sane and moderate citizens to check the extension of the movement and keep its dangers within bounds.

ORDERED that the Resolution be published in the *Gazette of India*, and that a copy be forwarded to all local Governments and Administrations and to the several departments of the Government of India.

H. MCPHERSON,
Secretary to the Govt. of India.